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Surrounded by Boers

Several British Outposts in South Africa Have Been Isolated.

Kimberley and Mafeking Will Probably Have to Withstand a Long Siege.

Newcastle Has Been Abandoned and Burghers Are Marching Towards Dundee.

(Associated Press.)

London, Oct. 16.—The gradual cutting off of outlying points at the scenes of hostilities in South Africa from telegraphic communication reduces accurate news obtainable to a minimum.

Thus far, however, no reliable information has been received of any actual fighting outside the affair at Kraai Pan and occasional exchanges of shots at various outposts.

There is no lack of circumstantial stories regarding fighting at various points, but these are scarcely published before denied.

Boer Advances.

The only settled facts in this morning's telegrams are that the Boers have advanced beyond Newcastle and formed a lager near Dannhauser, 12 miles north of Dundee, and that Kimberley is isolated, and probably invested.

Kimberley has thus become the immediate centre of interest.

The latest news from Kimberley, prior to the cutting of the telegraph and railway lines by the Boers, said: "All troops at Kimberley are well."

Forces at Kimberley.

As there are three thousand troops in that town, there is little anxiety for the safety of the place, especially as the Boer force is said to be only about the same strength.

Many stories of brisk fighting at that point are in circulation, but although the forces are likely to have come into contact, all alleged details must be regarded as premature and speculative, especially if the report be true that the Orange Free State troops are now in complete possession of the railway from Kimberley to Orange River, 70 miles away.

The alleged virulence of the Boer attacks upon Mafeking and Kimberley can be readily understood when it is realized that Bechuanaland is to the Boers what Alsace Lorraine is to France.

It is therefore probable that both towns will be forced to undergo a long and dreary investment before the British are in a position to send a relieving column to the other side of the country.

Closing Around the British.

The Boers are closing around British outposts, and have already come into touch with them and exchanged shots. Therefore more stirring news is expected.

Official Statement.

Later.—Advices from Capetown state that the excitement is kept up there by ceaseless reports of battles, but that little uneasiness is visible in official circles, where the opinion prevails that Mafeking and Kimberley are safe.

It is thought, too, that the Boers are not likely to attack Vryburg in Bechuanaland, owing to the fact that the population in that district is largely Dutch.

The war office issued the following note this afternoon with respect to the situation in South Africa:

"The dispatches received do not point to any material change in the military situation.

"Small bodies of Boers are reported to have crossed the Natal frontier at various points, and entrenchments are said to have been thrown up at Van Reenan's Pass."

Plans of the Boers.

Capetown, Oct. 16.—A dispatch from Dundee, Natal, says a Boer commando estimated at 2,000 men, with sixteen field guns, has reached Dannshauser, northeast of Dundee, with the probable intention of surrounding Dundee and cutting off the garrison from communication with Glencoe and Ladysmith.

It is supposed this force is commanded by Valjoen, and includes German gunners.

The rest of the Boer force, from Newcastle is believed to be marching around Glencoe to sever its connection with Ladysmith.

Orange Free State troops have cut the telegraph wires and destroyed the railway track at Norvals Pont, just across the Free State southern border.

As refugees in Capetown threaten to become troublesome and have hooted and mobed a number of leading Dutchmen, there is some expectation that martial law will be proclaimed.

Fighting at Kimberley.

Capetown, Oct. 15.—The Modder River station master reports that firing has been heard in the direction of Kimberley, and the station master at Belmont telegraphs that a force of Boers is advancing southward.

London, Oct. 16.—The Capetown correspondent of the Morning Leader, telegraphing on Sunday night, says:

"It is reported that fighting began at Kimberley this morning. The railway has been cut at Belmont."

Gangerseat Taken.

Capetown, Oct. 15.—(Evening)—Mr. Conyngham Greene, British agent at Pretoria, received every civility on the journey from the Transvaal capital. Six of Kruger's body guard accompanied Mr. Greene to the border of the Orange Free State, and he received the same courteous treatment in the Free State.

News of fighting at Modder River is not confirmed.

The station master at Modder River telegraphs that Boers from the north and south have taken Gangerseat, which they are fortifying.

Newcastle Abandoned.

London, Oct. 16.—A special dispatch filed at Dundee, Natal, on Sunday afternoon, reports that Commandant Viljoen's force has left Newcastle for Dannhauser, where the Transvaal flag has been hoisted over the town hall.

Durban, Oct. 15.—(Evening)—The Boers, reported at Newcastle after the abandonment by the British, consist of Transvaal and Free State troops and 400 Hollanders.

General Joubert, commander-in-chief of the Transvaal forces, is believed to be at Laing's Nek, which he is fortifying.

Fifteen refugees from Harrismith have reached Ladysmith. Among them is the guard of the Natal train which was commandeered by the Orange Free State. He says the English driver and fireman were driven to work on the train, which is used for carrying troops to Van Reenan's pass, where earthworks have been thrown up and two guns placed in position.

Cabinet Council Postponed.

London, Oct. 16.—The cabinet council summoned for to-day was postponed until to-morrow.

Martial Law Proclaimed.

Durban, Oct. 16.—Two extraordinary gazettes have been issued, the first proclaiming martial law in Newcastle, Dundee, Klip River, Umsiga and Upper Tugela divisions. The reason given is the belief that Natal subjects have joined the invading Boers and assisted the enemy. The other gazette reminds British subjects of their obligation to the Queen, and warns them to abstain from intercourse and trade with the Transvaal and Orange Free State.

A Canadian Brigade.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—When the government gave out its official announcement on Friday last with regard to the Canadian contingent, it was stated therein that the arrangements of the Imperial authorities were not altogether satisfactory, and that Canada would like to be represented with a regiment of its own with a Canadian officer in command.

The government have since then been in communication with the Imperial authorities and have made some progress in that direction. The dispatch that appears in the papers this morning from Mr. Chamberlain is a circular that was sent to all the colonies, and it is only after an urgent appeal that the War Office has now consented to Canada sending a contingent to be regarded as a Canadian brigade.

In reference to the question of pay, the offer of New Zealand to furnish pay during the service in South Africa, in addition to the cost of transportation, was refused, as Lord Lansdowne, Secretary for War, "is of opinion that the same conditions should be applied in the case of each colony."

The original suggestion for the contribution of troops from the Colonies was as follows: New Zealand, 250; Queensland, 200; New South Wales, 200; South Australia, 125; Canada, 500; total, 1,575.

It will therefore be seen that Canada is doing far more than its share.

The Canadian Commander.

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—Lieutenant-Colonel W. D. Otter has been selected for the command of the Canadian contingent.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. D. Otter was recently promoted from the position of commandant of Stanley Barracks, Toronto and D.O.C. of No. 3 Military District, to the staff. He is one of the best known of Canadian militia officers, and was in command of the flying column which engaged Poundmaker and his forces at Cut Knife creek during the Riel campaign of 1885.

Canada's Offer Accepted.

The following cable was received this afternoon from Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"London, Oct. 16.—Her Majesty's government have received with much pleasure your telegram of October 13th, conveying the generous offer of one thousand troops, which they gratefully accept.

"(Signed) CHAMBERLAIN."

MONTREAL MINING MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Oct. 16.—Stock market, morning board—War Eagle, 305, 295; Payne, 103, 102; Montreal and London, 5?, Republic, 116, 114.

Housekeepers in Berlin are facing what seems to be a crisis in the servant question. Recently the "dienstmadchen" have been seized with a fever for going into factories and dressmaking establishments, and now those who are left are forming a labor union.

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It is generally recognized that the conflict in the Transvaal will be marked by very heavy losses of both British and Boers. The latter are armed with the best Mauser rifles, and their light artillery is also said to be of the most modern kind. The British troops will, of course, have the highly efficient Lee-Metford rifle for the infantry, while much is expected from the new mountain field-piece and from the Maxim-Nordenfeldt and other quick-firing rifles.

It is natural, however, to over-estimate the death dealing effect of modern engines of destruction, and an article which recently appeared in the London Saturday Review contains much that is of interest in this connection.

When men get so near together that they cannot run away with any chance of escaping, says the writer, they must either kill or be killed. Hence, the same instinct of self-preservation which now-a-day makes a man a coward, made him in the old historic times a hero. Whole armies and tribes perished in the Homeric combats of antiquity. When your foe stood but a few yards from you to turn your back meant to give him the opening to deal a death blow for which he was watching, and to run away was therefore more dangerous than to face him.

The Villainous Saltpetre.

In the days of Eugene and Marlborough, although the villainous saltpetre had asserted its supremacy, it took a long time to load and fire a musket, and the bayonet and the broadsword were the surest means of destruction. Cold steel was the staunchest ally even up to the early years of the present century, and to "give them the bayonet" the most tactical device of our Peninsular generals. Brown Bess was ineffective at a hundred yards, and to hit a haystack at that range was as much as the soldier had any right to expect. Thus, armies, when they drew together for a fight, had to come to the closest quarters to gain any important or far-reaching result. Not so near together, perhaps as were the antagonists of a century before, but far more within reach of one another than were the French and Germans in 1870. The vanquished could not escape so easily as in that last campaign, and in accordance with experience, although it took longer to effect the slaughter, the piles of dead were higher, therefore, in the earlier than in the latter days. At Zorndorf one-half to one-third of the total forces engaged were either killed or wounded; at Marengo one-quarter were left on the field; at Borodino the blood of one-third dyed the Russian snow. The invention of rifled guns and muskets reduced the losses at Solferino to one-eleventh, at Koniggratz to one-fifteenth, while even the chassepot and militrailleuse did not bring the total at Gravelotte to more than one-eleventh of all the forces engaged.

The Greco-Turkish War.

It seems to be imagined that because twenty-five thousand Dervishes were killed and wounded in a forenoon the other day, therefore we may expect a similar holocaust every time a bataille rangee is accepted. The circumstances under which these gallant lives were lost seem often lost sight of, and the smallness of our own losses appears to convey no meaning to the sensation mongers.

It might have been supposed that the lessons of war in Thessaly would have had some steadying effect on the perfervid imaginations of our journalists. There we saw modern weapons and appliances also brought into the field, magazine rifles, breechloading cannon made by the indefatigable Herr Krupp, shrapnel shells and the whole paraphernalia of destruction which are to turn the battlefields of the future in abattoirs. Yet, as happened on another celebrated occasion, "no one (comparatively speaking) seemed one penny the worse!" The unspeakable Turk has seldom indulged in bloodshed so abstemiously as at Domokos. The valiant Greeks made no hecatombs such as caused the soil to reek in the old classic days.

The anomaly is easily explained. Both parties knew the deadliness of the other's armament and, like many of the opponents in the old duelling times, the nerves of both were more or less influenced by what they knew. A few hits were enough to make men keep their distance. The guns never dared to move into decisive range, and when one side had done enough to satisfy its sense of self-respect it made a strategic movement to the rear. Long range fire both from rifles and guns had an exceptionally good opportunity for exhibiting its destructive effect, and these weapons were as efficient as those in the hands of any army at the time.

High Explosive Shells.

Much prominence has been given to the performance of the high explosive shells which were for the first time tried in war last autumn on the Nile. But heavy pieces of ordnance and weighty shells conveyed up a great waterway in vessels, and landed on one side of a wide river, secure from attack, to bombard buildings on the other side, by no means supply an illustration as to field warfare in the future, or at least not one which we can regard as convincing. In an abnormal situation they accomplished what was expected from them, and deserved all credit for doing so, but we will do well to remember the predictions years ago as to "Greek fire," the vaunted prowess of the mitrailleuse and the appalling anticipations as to the Zalinski gun. Men, it is fairly safe to prophesy, will not be blown away in whole battalions in any campaign of the immediate future. While science on either side will neutralize itself, nerve, pluck, courage, or whatever it may be called, will turn the scale, and he who in the future forgets human nature when making calculations will be a pedant rather than a general, and will fail as ignominiously in the most modern battle as other pedants have failed in the closely locked struggles of the olden time.

What we know of the destructive powers of modern weapons should encourage us to foster and develop discipline and careful training, just as in the past the great leaders studied to bring them to perfection. If the man behind it can keep his head, the newest gun and rifle will indeed be formidable, but if no stout heart beats behind the butt, bullets will skim aimlessly and innocuously into space, and a panic stricken herd with empty pouches will be slaughtered by cool, disciplined soldiers, just as Alexander's well drilled phalanx made havoc among the Persians, Caesar's legion scattered the Gauls, or Kitchener's well drilled battalions shot down the brave Dervishes the other day.

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TO CONQUER THE FILIPINOS.

United States Will Shortly Have Over 62,000 Soldiers in the Philippines—Plans to Slaughter Americans.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Oct. 16.—When all the troops and ships under orders shall have reached Manila, the army will have 62,632 fighting men and 1,500 non-combatants, and the navy 45 ships, 4,997 bluejackets and 1,184 marines.

Manila, Oct. 16.—Mail advices state that there is great tension between the Visayans and Tagalos, growing out of the Tagalos holding Araneta, a leader of the Visayans, a prisoner since the threatened revolt against the Tagalos a month ago. The Visayans are incensed to a point of rebellion. While the Tagalos nominally control only the military organization of the so-called Filipino republic, they have crowded out the Visayans from civil branches, whereat there is great discontent. The Tagalos are reported to be concentrating troops at Santa Barbara, where Delgado, chief of the revolutionary government, commands, with a view to putting themselves in a position to suppress the Visayans. Four thousand Tagalos, who have been held in reserve at Captiz, in the northern part of the province of Pana, last week embarked for the purpose of being taken to Conception, whence the troops would march to Santa Barbara. Adverse winds prevented the landing, however.

General Scalions, from Buenta Vista, is also reported to be going to Santa Barbara. The insurgents will have 12,000 men, and three or four thousand rifles there.

General Magbanna, according to letters, plans an attack on the suburbs of Iloilo with this force, carrying the city and slaughtering Americans.

A body of Tagalos, estimated to number between 1,500, has crossed to Fecalante, on the Island of Negroes, for the purpose of aiding Intopapaisco's bandits in keeping under the the inhabitants who are friendly to the Americans.

Surgeons and Nurses Wanted.

New York, Oct. 16.—A cablegram from Manila to the Herald is as follows:

"Manila, Sunday.—General Otis has permitted the medical department here to cable to Washington for twenty additional surgeons and thirty more nurses.

Charlotte, sister of Heinrich, the celebrated German poet, died at Hamburg on Saturday, aged 90.

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London, Oct. 16.—The Capetown correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing on Sunday evening says:

"Kimberley is besieged and the Boers are massing in force.

"No details, however, are obtainable.

"The Boers have cut the railway at Belmont, having seized the Spyfontein railway and constructed fortified earthworks.

"There are strong defending forces at Modder bridge and the Orange river bridge.

"The object of these energetic operations is believed to be the capture of Cecil Rhodes.

"Kimberley is now isolated, both railway and telegraphic communication being cut."

Wants to Fight For the Boers.

Paris, Oct. 15.—Major Marchand, who commanded the French expedition into the Soudan, it is stated, wished to go and fight for the Boers as revenge for being obliged to withdraw from Fashoda, but the government refused him permission to join the Boer forces.

Firing on a Flag of Truce.

Capetown, Oct. 15.—Engine Driver Flowerdew, of Captain Nesbitt's train which was derailed and bombarded by the Boers, states that if the train had returned when the warning was received that the Boers held that line it could easily have made its way back to Mafibogo, but Captain Nesbitt insisted upon an endeavor being made to reach Mafeking.

"When the pilot engine was derailed," said Flowerdew, "we spent half an hour trying to replace it on the track. Then the Boers commenced firing and several men were wounded. The firing was kept up all night, but without effect. The Boers were careful to concentrate their fire upon the engine, so as to save the armored carriage and ammunition trucks.

"At dawn they commenced to bombard the cars. I escaped by crawling a mile and a half on my belly in the sand. When both engines were destroyed Captain Nesbitt exhibited flags of truce, but the Boers continued their firing for another quarter of an hour.

"There is no doubt that all the others on the train are prisoners, and that the carriages and ammunition, intact, fell into the hands of the Boers."

Flowerdew was fearfully bruised.

Important Post for Girouard.

London, Oct. 15.—Major Girouard has temporarily resigned the presidency of the Egyptian Railway Board, in order to take charge of the military transport in Africa for the campaign.

London, Oct. 14.—A pretoria dispatch dated yesterday says:

"General Kruck wires from the Natal boundary that his command occupied Bothas Pass and also captured a railway station."

Pretoria, Oct. 13.—(Delayed in transmission)—A Volksrust dispatch confirms the report that a Boer command has occupied Laing's Nek without casualties. The health of the burghers is good.

There are still Britishers here who are unable to leave on account of lack of funds, and the Transvaal government is arranging to move them to the Cape Colony border.

All reports from Volksrust agree that the burghers there are unanimous in the opinion that the settlement this time must be conclusive. They are not anxious to fight, but they prefer fighting to giving their assistance to an unsatisfactory solution of the crisis.

Captured by Boers.

London, Oct. 14.—The latest reports from Vryburg say the armored train that was destroyed at Kraai Pan contained in addition to Nesbitt's force, a number of workmen and six residents of Maribogo, south of Mafeking, who on hearng of the Boer advance took refuge in the train.

Vryburg, Oct. 13.—(Afternoon)—The driver of the armored train escaped to the veldt and has turned up at Maribogo, from which place he telephoned that all the persons on the train except himself were taken prisoners. An engine has been sent to Maribogo to bring the driver here.

Capetown, Oct. 14.—Two more armored trains are reported to have been destroyed by the Boers on the Cape railroad. One was carrying a telegraph corps from Mafeking, the other was last seen at Taung's station, and is believed to have been destroyed after leaving there. There are conflicting reports as to the fate of the men on the train. They are believed to have been captured. The soldiers on the train destroyed yesterday are also believed to be prisoners. A whole train of trucks carrying dynamite was also destroyed; the engine was saved. An accident to a refugee train occurred at Three Sisters; two peasants were killed and many wounded.

Buller Takes Entire Comand.

London, Oct. 14.—A forecast of the length and nature of the campaign in South Africa should not be ventured without knowledge of an extraordinary circumstance communicated to the Associated Press on most reliable authority, namely that General Buller has gone to take entire command of the South African situation. He will be as absolute as was Wellington and less hampered than was Kitchener. Therefore, not only is the conduct of the war in his discretion, but also virtually the future of all South Africa.

Two months ago the Marquis of Lansdowne, the Secretary of State for War, offered General Buller command of the projected army corps. Sir Buller declined to accept the command unless the war office would guarantee him

Between 60,000 and 70,000 Men.

He is quoted as having said on that occasion: "I shall not be handed down in history as another Sir George Colley." The reference, of course, was to the defeat at Majuba Hill, and he also said that if he were to go it must be on the distinct understanding that he could select his own staff, and be entirely uninterfered with by the war office. Prior to Lord Lansdowne's assent General Buller freely expressed the opinion that when he had driven the Boers into a corner, his hand might be stayed by a peace-loving cabinet, or a well intentioned war office, a condition of things he could not tolerate, for as he expressed it, his hand was "not one of those that once put to the plow releases its grip." It appears that both the Queen and cabinet practically acquiesced in his demand, although, of course, retaining a nominal control scarcely worth the name. Buller is pretty certain to cut the wires behind him so as to be

Out of Touch With London

at critical moments, for fear the cabinet might change its mind. He knows the Boers and has no liking for them. He has campaigned over the whole present battleground, and is above all a soldier from head to foot. As soon as he reaches South Africa he will inaugurate a campaign of such aggressiveness as the world has seldom seen, but which he believes justifiable by virtue of his own superior force. The sternest measures will not be too strong for him, and until the last vestige of Dutch power, whether in the Transvaal, Orange Free State or Cape Colony, is swept out, he will not stay his hand.

All sorts of surmises are current regarding the detailed strategy that will be employed. One authority says the hostility of the Orange Free State confers an immense advantage upon the British, as it will enable Sir Redvers Buller to go direct through that country into the Transvaal.

The Naval and Military Record, in the course of a most interesting article written by an army officer who compares forces, says

"There is little doubt that

The First Losses on Our Side

will be heavy. Our troops will be compelled to accept the role of attack on unprepared positions, while the Boers, at the very outset, by means of their mobility, may be able to make a dash into Natal, retiring with comparative ease if pressed. But it is hard to believe that they have staying power sufficient to prolong preparations for any length of time.

"General Buller will eventually be strong enough to invest any fortified towns or positions taken upon the side of the Boers, and to sit down and wait until exhaustion sets in among them. Sparsely populated as is the veldt, with a total area scarcely equal to France, it is questionable if ten thousand typical yeomen, trained in the use of arms, can be raised throughout the whole of the Transvaal! The rest are city men, with the vices of greed and love of ease engendered in the centre of urban life.

"It is far from true that the Boers are a godly, clean living and generous race. They have openly given out that

The British Are to be Uprooted

stock and barrel, and the heard phrase 'to every man a damsel or two' throws a light on Mr. Kruger's pious front.

"We enjoy the sublime advantage of eventually posing as the attacking party, and it remains to be seen how far the Boers are fitted for the wearisome role of passive defence, which, sooner or later, will be imposed upon them.

"The service revolver they have in many cases discarded for one of ten chambers, but I do not believe there will be much hand-to-hand fighting, for Sir Redvers Buller is well aware that in a melee the advantages of iron discipline are to a great extent lost. We do not intend to allow the Boers to close with our infantry, although

Cavalry Patrol Skirmishes

will be unavoidable. The Transvaal forces prefer ambuscades, and our difficulty will be to get into contact with them. It is to be hoped that the British India troops will be detailed as an advance guard, for they are well trained in ambush work."

Although Sir Redvers Buller has gone, most of the corps is still here. It is learned that the Admiralty has finally fixed upon October 20th as the first day of regular embarkation, this continuing each day thereafter from Southampton, which will be literally red and khaki brown, with departing troops. On October 23rd and 25th there will be embarkations of a large contingent of men and equipment at Tilbury. These two ports will be the only outlets of any importance.

Several belated war correspondents will make

The Voyage to the Cape

with General Buller. Among them is Mr. Winston Spencer Churchill, Lady Randolph Churchill's son. If Buller is allowed to have his own way the number of correspondents at the front may be restricted to a baker's dozen, for, as Kipling says, he does not like the breed. There are now known to be no fewer than seventy-five correspondents and artists on the scene of the war.

The Outlook quotes a member of the cabinet, whose name is not given, but who is evidently Mr. Chamberlain, as saying in private conversation: "Absolute equality, nothing more and nothing less, is what we intend to secure in South Africa. There can be but one fate for the Boers oligarchy, and there can be left no doubt regarding British sovereignty over all South Africa. When those ends have been attained, the policy of magnanimity and consideration such as has made the French-Canadians loyal British subjects will, I have no doubt, be applied with equal success in South Africa."

The Canadian Volunteers.

Ottawa, Oct. 14.—Today's militia order reads as follows:

"The Governor-General in Council having been pleased to approve of the dispatch of Canadian volunteers formed into eight companies of infantry for active service in South Africa, it is hereby notified that 1,000 volunteers will be accepted and that their enrolment has be authorized at the places mentioned below, upon the following conditions, viz.:

Service under the Army Act for six months, with liability of extension to one year; rations, clothing and equipment to be provided free; pay at the rate laid down in militia regulations for permanent corps from attestation until date of disembarkation in South Africa, from which date pay will be at British rate; standard height, 5 feet 6 inches, with 34 inches chest measurement; age, not less than 22 nor more than 40.

"The following are the places of enrolment: Victoria, Vancouver, Winnipeg, London, Toronto, Ottawa, Kingston, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, N. B., Charlottetown and Halifax. Men desirous of offering their services should make application in person or by letter at the office of the officer commanding the military district, or to the commanding officer of their corps of militia. Commanding officers will at once forward to the district officer commanding names thus received, with their remarks."

Lieut.-Colonel Otter, D. O. C., at Toronto, has been offered the position of major.

The soldiers will be clothed for active service in khaki suiting, with knee-breeches, such as British soldiers have found best adapted for African campaigning.

Germany Neutral.

Berlin, Oct. 14.—In an interview today a high German official said: "We shall observe the strictest neutrality, no matter what may develop in the war between the Boer Republic and Great Britain. That is the only course left open, as conditions in South Africa are so complicated, and our relations with both sides are so delicate. We mean to adhere to neutrality to both parties. What else can we do?

"Other powers spoken of as likely to interfere have also concluded to keep quiet. Such rumors as now and again appear in the press, for instance that report about the alleged attempts on the part of the Russian foreign minister, Count Muravieff, to bring about concerted intervention, are unfortunately only rumors. I say 'unfortunately.' The word shows how our sympathies lie; but politics in these days must be strictly parted—interests on one side and sympathies on the other. It is true our entire press calls upon the government to interpose between the little republics and big, powerful England, and that a crusade against the English is being preached to the nations of the continent, but we would be fools to listen to this siren song.

"Of course, all the other powers would like only too well if Germany would oppose England seriously in this matter, but we doubtless would again be left to our unaided selves. Therefore we are going to avoid intervention and remain strictly neutral in the coming struggle."

Some of the Officers.

London, Oct. 15.—It is a historic fact that the first winter of the Crimean war was about the gayest London season ever known. People congregated here as the centre of news from the front and gulled the time, and perhaps lessened anxiety, by the festivities. So th's autumn and winter promises a repetition of the Crimean period in London.

The city is becoming crowded by society, which, naturally, is deeply concerned in the issue of the war. There scarcely is a great family in England, from the royal family downward, who has not some relative involved. The Tenth Hussars include among their officers a son of the Duke of Buccleuch, Lord George Scott; his son-in-law, Capt. Thomas Bland; and a half brother of the Duke of Portland. Lord William Bentinck is going. Mr. Dalas Yorke and Lords Derby and Ribblesdale are among those who have sons in the regiment, while Lord Revelstoke has a brother in the first battalion of the Scots Guards, which is commanded by Colonel Arthur Paget. Mr. George Cornwallis-West is in this regiment, as well as the Master of Ruthven.

The Twelfth Lancers will be commanded by Lord Airlie, and Major Eastwood and Captain Crawley, the great military racquet players, also belong to this corps.

Lord Lansdowne has two sons who are going out. One is Lord Kerry, who is in the Grenadier Guards where, also, Lord Beauchamp has one brother and one half brother. Lord Durham has a brother in the first battalion of the Coldstream Guards, who is well known as a steeplechase rider. Major Julian Byng, of the Tenth Hussars, who will act as provost-marshal of Sir Redvers Buller's staff, is a half brother of Lord Strafford.

The Royals, which the German Emperor is supposed to command, has Sir Fredrick Marshall as honorary colonel and Colonel Burn-Murdoch in actual command. A son of the minister of war is a lieutenant in the regiment, while Lord Basing is a major, and Prince Francis of Teck is among the other officers.

The Scots Greys have Colonel Alexander in command, and one of the officers is Captain Cecil Feilden, who has served so long and successfully on the vicereyal staff at Dublin, and also was military secretary to Lord Wolseley.

The brigade major of the Third Bri-

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(Associated Press.)

New York, Oct. 16.—Sixty-eight thousand dollars was raised in Carnegie Hall for the heathen yesterday by the Rev. A. B. Simpson. So spirited were the desires to contribute that women threw in valuable jewelry and men coats and vests.

Prairie fires have devastated part of Dauphin country. Hundreds of settlers were surrounded before they had time to realize the danger, and were unable to stop the ravages of the flames. Houses, barns, fences and grain stacks went up in smoke.

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grade is Captain Gity Wyndham, of the Sixteenth Lancers, who is a brother of the under-secretary of state for war. Captain Wyndham married a sister of Mrs. Cornwallis-West. Captain Power Harold Rugeles Brise was at one time captain of the Winchester school cricket eleven, and has played for Oxford.

Captain George Nugent, who will be aide to Sir Henry Colville, has been frequently before the public as an actor. He was one of the mainstays of the Guards' burlesque in the day when those entertainments were in vogue. Curiously enough, Sir Henry Colville was himself the author of the last Guards' burlesque, in which Lady Colville was one of the leading ladies.

A bridegroom, to whom more than ordinary interest is attached, has been ordered to the front, leaving the girl he has just wed to the altar at her home. He is Lieutenant Clive Behrens, of the Royal Artillery, whose marriage in the new west-end synagogue to the Hon. Evilina Rothschild was one of the most important and also one of the quietest events of the season.

A Warning.

London, Oct. 15.—The admiralty has been cautioned againgst allowing shipowners providing transports to engage crews at Rotterdam or Antwerp, as these ports swarm with Boer sympathizers.

Charge Against Robertson.

Pretoria, Oct. 13.—(Delayed in transmission.) The trial of Mr. Robertson, the Englishman charged with enlisting recruits for the Imperial light horse, has begun at Johannesburg.

Funds for the War.

New York, Oct. 15.—The London correspondent of the Tribune, cabling under Saturday's date, says of the forthcoming meeting of parliament:

"The call for the defence of the unity of the Empire, which has begun with guerilla warfare, and seems likely to end in a grand British parade through two capitals, will be licensed by parliament in one of the shortest and quietest sessions ever held. There will not be a full muster of political forces on Tuesday, and the debates will be shortened by agreement between the two front benches, and confined mainly to the

Financial Votes and Credits

required for the prosecution of the war. "Sir Michael Hicks-Beach will be put in the way of paying the piper, since marching orders for an army of eighty-five thousand men have already been issued. There will not be a Krugerite cave anywhere in sight, and the Radical malcontents will be coaxed into deferring their moralizing until February. Mr. Dillon will be present, but Mr. Redmond is in America, and the attendance of Irish members will be small.

"The session is not likely to last longer than two or three weeks.

Mr. Chamberlain

will be the most commanding figure, but his friends assert he will not be drawn into debate unless he is baited with unjust criticism and reproaches, but will remain in the background and allow Mr. Balfour and Sir Michael Hicks-Beach to arrange the money votes as quietly as possible. Having won the final round of his long fight with Kruger he now leaves the war office in charge until the time for colonial reorganization, which will follow the close of hostilities.

"Sir Alfred Milner may have a great work to do at once, as Kruger and Steyn have not yet gone out of politics, but have attempted to excite a race uprising and a

Civil War in the Cape Colony.

There are no signs that the Dutch will rise against the English from the Vaal river to Table mountain, but Sir Alfred is evidently watching closely for the first indication of disloyalty, and will deal sternly with rebels against the authority of the Crown. He is a man of gentle traits and mild manners, but has an inflexible will, and will be as hard as flint if there be treachery in the colonial camp.

"The Cape ministry is in an anomalous position, but is pulling itself together and setting a good example of loyality. If this be followed by the Dutch colonies, Sir Alfred, as well as Mr. Chamberlain, will remain in the back-ground until the war is over. Each will then have work to do.

"The financial policy of the Chancellor of the Exchequer in

Liquidating the Bills

already run up with steamship companies and contractors, and in raising the money required for war operations on a large scale, is not yet clear. The street does not advise him to issue consols and increase the funded debt, when this cannot be done on favorable terms. He can issue treasury bills, but this action will increase the value of money in the open market and involve carrying a large floating debt when the bank rate is high, and will go higher. The Statist advises him to advance the unemployed deposits in the Savings Banks for financing military operations, and give in return terminable annuities, fixing the rate of interest payable on the sums invested, which would be a bold course, and Sir Michael is a timid financier addicted to compromise."

Mafeking Isolated.

London, Oct. 15.—At 9 o'clock this evening the government had received no news of fighting in South Africa, and did not expect any, believing that no battle is probable, except at Mafeking, communication with which place has been cut and considerable anxiety is felt.

Elsewhere, however, it is believed the British will remain on the defensive.

Narrow Escape of an Hospital Train.

Vryburg, Cape Colony, Oct. 17.—A hospital train that started for Maribogo has just returned after an adventurous journey.

It had reached a curve on a culvert 700 yards south of Maribogo, and had just slackened speed, when it was observed that the rails ahead had been upturned. Brakes were applied, but the engine passed on to one of the rail, partly raised, and was derailed.

The occupants immediately righted the engine.

At the same time it was observed that a party of Boers were galloping into line east of the railway, but on the Cape Colony side of the border. Some of the persons on the train say they saw a cannon pointed at the train.

The train ran back to Vryburg at full speed, the engine flying a white flag with a red cross. Picks and shovels were seen lying about, and the Boers had been apparently disturbed while removing the rails.

It is learned that previous to the starting of the train Maribogo telephoned Vryburg asking that the train be sent up, as all was quite safe. The operator at Vryburg recognized the voice as that of the European store clerk.

In view of the subsequent report that the Boers were removing the rails, it is believed the Boers compelled the clerk to speak through the telephone.

Mobilization Proceeds Smoothly.

New York, Oct. 15.—The London correspondent of the Tribune says:

"The war office comes in for nothing but praise for the details for mobilization.

"The reserves have responded quickly for duty, and the regiments have been brought up to the full field muster without delay. The arrangements for the distribution of all allotments have been settled, and a hundred details ordered to the satisfaction of the men. A brigade of Guards will start next Saturday, and an entire army corps will be rapidly transfered to South Africa without confusion.

"The good work done by the war office in dispatching a larger British army than was employed in the Crimea is largely due to General Buller, a brusque and business-like infantry soldier, who knows every detail of war. His principal rival for the chief command, Sir Evelyn Wood, is a dashing cavalry officer, but is incapacitated by deafness for work in the field.

"While South Africa has been the grave of many reputations, military and political, Buller's friends expect him to return like another conquering Kitchener."

Letter From Joubert.

New York, Oct. 15.—A copy of a resolution adopted at the Carnegie Hall meeting on Wednesday asking that the United States tender their good offices to avert war between Great Britain and the South African Republic has been forwarded to President McKinley by Augustus Van Wyck, president of the meeting, and George W. Van Sicklen, secretary.

Mr. Van Sicklen tried to cable to General Joubert yesterday, but the English censorship at the Cape stopped the message.

Mr. Van Sicklen has received this letter from Gen. Joubert:

Dear Sir and Friend,—Your letter of August 5th came to hand. I thank you for it, and for the opportunity given me to remove and contradict a great misunderstanding or wrong representation, viz., that I am in favor of England and therein differ from President Kruger, That is absolutely untrue. If President Kruger and I differ, then it may be in some of our opinions, but the maintenance of our government and the defence of our independence lie equally close to the heart of each of us. Probably this letter will not reach you before England has begun to fire her cannon upon us, and then we shall have the commencement of the fight, but our God in Heaven only knows what the end will be.

We read in the English papers of all the auxiliary troops which are offered to Mr. Chamberlain from all countries and colonies, and that Canada, Australia and all will aid to sweep away from earth the little handful of Boers, so that if there is no more God in Heaven who is able to protect the Boers against this force, then shall the name of the Boers, or rather of the Afrikander nation, be no longer heard of.

Your obedient servant and friend,
(Signed) JOUBERT.
Pretoria, Sept. 11.

Aid for Refugees.

London, Oct. 15.—The Prince and Princess of Wales have each subscribed £200 to the Mansion House funds for the relief of South African refugees.

Irish Disaffection.

Dublin, Oct. 15.—The following resolution has been passed by the Cork district council, a strong Parnellite body:

"Resolved, that having regard to the fact the English people as a nation have committed, since their accursed presence was first felt in Ireland, every crime, murder, pillage and all crimes that it is possible for fallen humanity to perpetrate against their fellow creatures, we hope if they engage in a war, especially an unjust war such as the war they are now forcing on the Boers, that their army will be annihilated and their power crippled, which will give the Irish nation an opportunity of obtaining their independence."

The seconder of the resolution observed that any Irisman joining the English army should be shot down. Fifty-three members were present, and the resolution passed unanimously, amid cheers.

New York, Oct. 15.—The London correspondent of the Times says:

"The attitude of some of the Irish members of parliament has caused Arnold Foster, who represents Belfast, to point out that they are guilty of treason, and, according to law, could be hanged.

"With its usual insouciance the British government will probably take no notice of the matter, which is exactly what the said Irish members deplore, but if the soldiers are to be believed, the shrift of the Irish brigade in the service of the Transvaal will be short if its members are cornered. Particular animosity has been aroused by these and the Germans who have joined the Boers."

White on the Defensive.

New York, Oct. 15.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says:

"The position of Sir George White and the main body of the Natal field force has been a source of anxious conjecture. At noon to-day the war office would only admit that Gen. White had moved out of camp on the Tieggersberg Hills and had entered Van Reenans Pass, but I am able to state that the chief authorities sat up all Friday night in anxious expectation, while Gen. Sir Redvers Buller expressed grave uneasiness.

"The cause of this may have been a reminiscence of the former Boer wars. Sir George Colley's series of misfortunes were then due to his

Leaving a Strong Position

without waiting for reinforcements, and attacking a superior force of Boers in a country which they thoroughly understood.

"At first sight General White seemed to have courted a similar risk in deserting a strong camp and advancing along a narrow pass against a great mass of Free State and Transvaal Boers.

"Conflicting reports have hinted at a British victory and again at an uncertain battle still raging. Apart from the question of the numbers engaged, it must not be forgotten that while Colley was a purely Staff College soldier unversed in colonial warfare, Gen. White as an Indian general was used to

Fighting in Narrow Defiles.

Sir Archibald Hunter, his chief of staff, has usually been credited with the strategic part of Kitchener's campaigns.

"The military authorities were fully reasssured when they learned that Gen. White's movement was a reconnaisance for ascertaining where the Boers were massed, and that he had not gone out from Ladysmith with the deliberate intention of bringing on a battle, all reports of an engagement with heavy losses being premature.

"With the retirement of Gen. White to a defensive position, which he is expected to hold until the Boers attack him, the situation in Natal remains unchanged. There is a strong probability that the Boer raiders will attempt to cut off the communication of his army with the coast, rather than advance at once from Laing's Nek and Newcastle.

"This policy has been adopted on the western frontier, where the garrison of Mafeking has been isolated and is exposed to an attack from an overwhelming force of Boers."

Fighting for British Subjects.

London, Oct. 15.—Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, in acknowledging a letter of congratulation on the fact that President Kruger's ultimatum has alienated foreign opinion and secured for England the moral support of American opinion, writes that "he has observed with pleasure the recognition by the most influential organs of opinion in America of the justice and wisdom of the British policy in the Transvaal." He thinks "a singularly close comparison might be drawn between the motives for interference and those of the American nation, when the latter refused to tolerate any longer the misgovernment of Cuba. "The main difference is that we fight chiefly to protect our own subjects who have been deprived of equal rights promised to them by President Kruger, while the Americans were interested for a foreign population whom they believed to be suffering injustice and oppression."

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HON. JOSEPH MARTIN'S VISIT.

British Columbia Affairs—A Wishy-Washy Platform Framed By the Conservatives.

Hon. Joseph Martin, of Vancouver, arrived in town Tuesday evening from Portage la Prairie, accompanied by Mrs. Martin. Mr. Martin is on his way to Ottawa on a case before the Supreme Court. He has still considerable property in Manitoba, which requires a visit about once a year to look after it, and it is with this object he visited Portage and Winnipeg.

Mr. Martin is looking very well, and says that affairs generally in British Columbia are prosperous. He, however, wished to give this caution, that while British Columbia was fairly prosperous it was the poorest place in the world for people to go to looking for work, especially in the professions and business occupations. For every vacant position as clerks, professional men, in business houses, etc., there are twenty or fifty applicants. It would be advisable for such people to follow the rule not to go to British Columbia unless they have something in sight, for they are sure to be disappointed. People who see accounts in the newspapers of general prosperity, which are probably not exaggerated, imagine that all they have to do is to come to British Columbia and get good jobs at high salaries, while as a matter of fact the inrush of people from the East had brought down salaries, while the cost of living is high.

Upon politics generally he did not touch, but of the platform drawn up by the recent convention of British Columbia Conservatives he spoke briefly. He described that platform as the most wishy washy public document ever issued. There is not in it a single distinct pledge upon any matter of importance upon which they can be nailed down. Every question of importance which they do touch is dealt with in such a way as to enable them to do as they like without being called down.

Mr. Martin will likely leave to-morrow for Ottawa.

On his return to Winnipeg he will, in response to urgent requests, address a public meeting in one of the large halls.—Winnipeg Tribune, Oct. 11.

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VENEZUELA REVOLUTION.

(Associated Press.)

Paris, Oct. 16.—A dispatch from Caracas says President Andrade is preparing to leave the city, and that the insurgent commander, General Castro, is master of the situation.

HORSELESS CARRIAGES.

The Queen's Horses Are Being Drilled to Prevent Accidents.

London, Oct. 15.—Few lives in this world are watched with such care as the Queen's and those of the members of the Royal family. This is an old saying, but it is particularly true in the case of what might be called automobilism, which, as yet, is only a hobby in this country. Still steps have just been taken to protect Her Majesty from any danger, while driving, through the use of automobiles.

All the horses in the Royal stables have been drilled in the presence of an automobile, and the horses in the stable-yards at Windsor were first led and then driven around a stationary car, then the car was propelled around the horses, after which the car was moved between the horses in a dangerous way as they stood near each other. The automobilist finally made the car as objectionable as possible. The horses were very amiable, as they had already been schooled to such noises as the playing of bands, the noise of cannon and railroad trains, and the cheering of crowds. The best bred horses proved to be the least sensitive to the novelty, a pure bred Arab stallion showing the least concern of all.

TRAFALGAR DAY.

This Year's Celebrations Will Be on a Large Scale.

London, Oct. 15.—Admiral Nelson is still the national idol. Whether it is that the war fever is in the air or not, preparations are being made on a great scale for the celebration of Trafalgar Day this year. That will be Saturday next. Commander Crutchment, of the Navy League, is sanguine that the anniversary will be better marked this year than on any previous occasion. The principal features of it will be the spectacular display. The usual decoration of the Nelson column with laurel wreaths encircling the immense column from the capital to the base, will be seen again, but a new feature will be a grand illumination of the column at night. Thousands of incandescent electric lamps will be used upon the monument, and a search light will be thrown upon the colossal statue.

A REQUEST.

We do not take the liberty of parading the names of those cured of cancer before the public, but we request the address of any one interested. We send full particulars and the names of persons positively permanently cured by our painless method. STOTT & JURY, Box 9, Bowmanville, Ont.

DEWEY AT BOSTON.

Boston, Oct. 14.—The residents of Boston and vicinity, augmented by thousands of visitors from other sections of the commonwealth and from adjacent states, today did honor to Admiral Dewey. The hearty greeting with which Dewey was received when he arrived last night was completely overshadowed to-day when the famous Vermonter appeared in public, and particularly when he rode through the city in the front ranks of the brilliant naval and military pageant, which was the chief event of the day.

THE QUEEN ASSISTS THE WIDOW.

London, Oct. 15.—The Queen has sent a personal contribution of £400 to the family of the French sailor recently shot by the British gunboat Leda while fishing in British waters. The British consul at Bolounge has been instructed to convey an expression of Her Majesty's regret at the accident, and sympathy with the family.

TACOMA-SEATTLE ELECTRIC RAILROAD.

Tacoma, Oct. 14.—A contract has been signed with Nelson Bennett for the construction of an electric railroad between this city and Seattle, a distance of 28 miles. Work is to begin at once, and cars will be running within six months.

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A Steamer on Fire

Nine Persons Lost Their Lives During the Burning of the Nutmeg State.

Lifeboat Overturned and Many Passengers Had Narrow Escapes.

New York, Oct. 14.—Nine lives were lost during the fire which, this morning, destroyed the Bridgeport Line steamboat, The Nutmeg State, off Sand Point, Long Island. The steamer was run to the beach at the outbreak of the flames, and burned to the water's edge.

The dead are: Samuel Jaynes, of Bridgeport, baggage master of the Nutmeg State; Niles Nelson, member of the crew; Charley Anderson, watchman; Patrick Coffee, mate; R. Hendrick, oiler; Thomas Murphy, member of crew; John Conner, one of the crew; two unknown passengers. Others may have perished in the excitement, but the above are positively known to have been either burned or drowned.

The Nutmeg State, with over a hundred persons on board, and bound from Connecticut towns to New York, was discovered afire about 5:30, when she was within a few miles of Sand Point, Long Island. Chief Cook Brown first saw the smoke at 5:30 o'clock, and immediately reported to Capt. C. M. Brooks, who had just gone to his stateroom. The fire was on the main deck and seemed to be a small affair. Capt. Brooks ordered the men called to work as quickly as possible with buckets and hose. For about twenty minutes the flames did not seem to be dangerous, and the men appeared to have them in control. Suddenly they burst into

A Furious Blaze Amidships.

Baggageman Samuel Jaynes was detached from the fire fighters and sent to alarm the passengers and all members of the crew who were in the forward part of the boat. He ran through the passageways on several decks shouting to passengers and the sleeping crew. He remained amidships crying out warnings until he was forced by the flames and stifling smoke to jump overboard. The passengers in various stages of frenzy rushed from the staterooms to the upper deck.

By this time the entire middle section was burning fiercely, and the people forward were completely cut off from communication with those on the after part of the boat.

As the flames continued to spread both forward and aft, Pilot Weatherwax headed the boat at full speed for the beach at Sand Point. The draughts swept the fire towards the rear of the boat. The passengers in that part of the boat went as far on the rear deck as possible, but were enveloped with black smoke and the flames were leaping towards them.

With a shock the Nutmeg State struck the rocky bottom, and people seemed to shoot from all parts of her like shot from a sling. They

Jumped Into the Water

and tried to reach the lifeboat which had been launched from the forward part of the vessel. All of the passengers were in the water in a few moments, but many of the crew had become imprisoned by the flames in the forward part of the lower deck.

The Nutmeg State had hardly struck the beach when several passing craft came to her rescue. The tugboat W. F. Reed and the Kismet were first on the spot, and after those came the Hartford liner City of Lawrence. The latter put out lifeboats which were sufficient to save all the people who were in the water. An unknown woman passenger, afraid to jump into the water, although provided with a life belt, was seen to fall back to the blazing deck and was roasted. When it became apparent that the Nutmeg State was doomed to destruction, the dozen or so of her freight handlers are said to have taken possession of the first of the lifeboats launched. They fought back any of the women and men who tried to get into the boats and refused to take the children. It was impossible for Capt. Brooks to control the tough, cowardly set of men, and they were utterly oblivious to the perils of the passengers.

When the passengers were forced from this lifeboat it doubled the demand on a second which was lowered, and a wild scramble of the panic-stricken people ensued. This boat was

Overloaded and Overturned.

It could not be righted, and the men, women and children remained in the chilled water clinging to the boat until help arrived from the few passing craft.

The tugboat Reed went forward and made an effort to save the imprisoned men in the crew's quarters. The heat was so intense that it drove the tug away, and it again turned its attention to picking up the people from the water. It made another attempt at the bow of the Nutmeg State. Two of the firemen were saved, but the other men of the crew were unable to climb out of the hold before the Reed was again forced away from the ship on account of the spread of the flames.

The passengers and rescued members of the crew were placed aboard the City of Lawrence, and the body of Baggageman Jaynes was also conveyed to the Hartford liner, which proceeded on her way to this city, and arrived about ten in the morning.

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THE AMERICAN "TWANG."

Mr. William Archer, in the October number of the Pall Mall Magazine, writes as follows:

It is not to be expected that an extremely English intonation should ever be agreeable to Americans, or an extremely American intonation to Englishmen. We ourselves laugh at a "haw-haw" intonation in English: why, then, should we forbid Americans to do so? If "an accent like a banjo" is recognized as undesirable in America (and assuredly it is), there is no reason why we in England should pretend to admire it. But a vulgar or affected intonation is clearly distinguishable, and ought to be clearly distinguished, from a national habit in the pronunciation of a given letter, or accentuation of a particular word, or class of words. For instance, take the pronunciation of the indefinite article The American habitually says "a man" (as in "game"); the Englishman, unless he wants to be emphatic, says "a man." Neither is right, neither wrong—it is purely a matter of habit; and to consider either habit ridiculous is merely to exhibit that childishness of provincialism of mind which is moved to laughter by whatever is unfamiliar. Again, when I first read the works of the sagacious Mr. Dooley, I thought it a curiously far-fetched idea on the part of that philosopher to talk of Admiral Dewey as his "Cousin George," and assert that "Dewey" and "Dooley" were practically the same name. I had not then noticed that the American pronunciation of "Dewey" is "Dooey," and that the liquid "oo" is very seldom heard in America. In the course of the five minutes I spent in the Supreme Court at Washington, I heard the Chief Justice of the United States make this one remark: "That, sir, is not constitootional." To our ears this "oo" has an old-fashioned ring, like that of the "oe" in "obleeged;" but to call it wrong is absurd, and to find it ridiculous is provincial.

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THE LOST GRIP.

Victoria used to do a very fine business with the Fraser valley; in fact the bulk of the trade done in that district was done from here. Where is it today? Victoria certainly does not have it, and the loss is mutual, for the reason that Victoria now purchases more from the American side than she did in those days, and does not purchase much, comparatively speaking, from the fertile Fraser valley. Vancouver and New Westminster have, to a great extent, absorbed the trade of former days, but they cannot begin to consume or handle all that great farming region along the Fraser can produce, and ought to produce.

It is extraordinary that Victoria should have dropped out of the running for that business, and that so much of Victoria's good money should be going out steadily to the farmers of Washington and Oregon. For years there has been a steady drain in that direction, and there seems to be no immediate prospect of it being stopped. It is a bad thing to get into the habit of buying home produce in foreign markets. To change the habit of trade is almost as hard as to introduce the metric system of weights and measures.

If Victoria can be brought back to the old custom of trading with the farmers of the province, and to look to the Fraser for a large portion of its supplies, something like a normal condition of internal trade would be introduced. It is hardly patriotic to send those large sums out of the country for produce that can be raised by our own farmers, and that can be had in almost any quantity from the Fraser if our Island farmers cannot meet the demand. It is a thing the Americans would not do; they are mighty strict about applying the rule: "charity begins at home."

For these reasons the plan to connect the city with the Fraser valley by means of a fast ferry, and the utilization of the existing line of railway, has specially attractive features. The carrying out of such a scheme would bring back to Victoria the lost trade of the populous Fraser valley, and stop the excessive importations of American produce. The people will have to decide those points.

TUPPER'S COMPANY AND WHISKEY.

A few weeks ago, in answer to a statement contained in a dispatch from Ottawa to the effect that the Klondike Mining, Trading & Transportation Company and Sir Charles Tupper, the company's president, were in some way concerned with Ex-Governor Dewdney in a liquor permit, the Colonist made the following explicit denial:

"Neither Sir Charles nor the company had directly or indirectly any interest whatever in any permit granted by Premier Haultain, Mr. Sifton or any one else to take liquor into the Yukon. * *."

"If this denial of any interest on the part of Sir Charles Tupper, or the Klondike Company in Mr. Dewdney's permit is not sufficiently explicit, we will add that it is intended to be as explicit as language can express and to convey the idea that in no manner or form whatever, directly or indirectly, was either Sir Charles Tupper or the Klondike Company interested in the matter in any degree whatever."

Now, that is a pretty strong denial. It was written by a director of the company—the editor of the Colonist—and we accepted it as true in every particular, and so stated in these columns. It will be observed that the denial covers every possible point when it says that "neither Sir Charles nor the company mentioned had directly or indirectly any interest whatever in any permit granted by Premier Haultain, Mr. Sifton, or any one else to take liquor into the Yukon."

Keeping this statement in mind, what has the man who made it to say to the following statement, which has been given to us by one who is in a position to speak from personal knowledge of the facts:

The Klondike Mining, Trading & Transportation Company, of which Sir Charles Tupper was at the time president and Mr. Lugrin, of the Colonist, a director, procured from G. A. Strickland, a portion of his permit for 3,000 gallons and shipped the "goods" to Dawson. The permit had been procured by Mr. Strickland from Premier Haultain. The company under this permit sent to Dawson 500 gallons of Scotch, which it had brought from London for the purpose, and 500 gallons of rye, which it bought in Victoria. The whiskey was consigned to the Bank of Commerce, Dawson, and sold by the bank on account of the company. A legal firm in this city corresponded with the government at Ottawa to obtain passage through the customs and police force at the boundary. This is a simple statement of what is believed to be facts, and our authority says he is prepared to vouch for its accuracy. If it is true the denials by the editor of the Colonist and by Sir Charles Tupper are untrue.

We will not enlarge upon the divergence between the two statements. The editor of the Colonist should first be heard from. If he will prove our informant to be in error and his original denial to be true, we will very gladly reprint his article.

POSSIBLE EMBARRASSMENTS.

Everyone at all conversant with the state of public feeling in the south and west of Ireland would not be at all surprised at the behavior of the Cork District Council in passing that treasonable resolution. That demonstration of ill-feeling toward the empire will probably be copied in other places in the south and west of Ireland, just as one disloyal exhibition after another marked the celebration of the Queen's jubilee in 1887, and again at the diamond jubilee ten years later. These things are to be expected; the home government has got so used to them that it takes little or no notice of them till they assume something more than the form of silly resolutions.

This may be the best policy after all, but it is apt to be misunderstood by the people in those districts. From the seditious resolution to the forming of armed companies to resist constituted authority is not a very long step, and the people of those districts have had some experience in that direction already. The memory of Ninety-Eight is very fresh with them; and the sentiments of Parnell are enthusiastically cherished. As it is practically impossible to stamp them out, the poison continues to work in the minds of the disaffected Irish, perhaps to bear fruit when Britain is deeply involved in a far-reaching struggle. That, of course, is the hope of those people and their friends and allies in the United States.

What would be the result of a general manifestation of unrest throughout the south and west of Ireland at this time? It would need, estimating it roughly, from forty thousand to fifty thousand regular British troops to hold Ireland in order and look after possible incursions of volunteers from America. It would also mean the detaching of a large squadron of the British fleet for service as patrol around the Irish coasts. It is a very serious matter indeed, and there is an opinion in many quarters that the home government carries the absolute liberty of the subject idea a little too far, and that a steady and judicious application of the screws on the approach of a crisis like the present would have the effect of preventing such audacious insults to the paramount power as that which the Cork District Council has just perpetrated.

Another very grave aspect of this affair is that reports of Irish disloyalty and rebelliousness are speedily heard in India, and as will be remembered the government there had to send a batch of traitors to prison not so long ago. The bad example of those portions of Ireland would have a terrible effect upon the excitable imaginations of certain factions in India, and the disturbance there would call for the increasing of the military strength.

What seems likely to prove the greatest war in which Great Britain has been engaged since the Crimean struggle, is just starting, and no man can foretell what complications may arise, to what extent it will spread. It stands to reasons that if Great Britain has to throw eighty-five thousand of her choice troops into South Africa, some portion or portions of the empire cannot be so closely guarded as usual. Will the enemies and rivals of the empire make it a point of honor to maintain a strict neutrality throughout the war, or will they seek to embarrass us by menacing concentrations and redoubled activities on our frontiers?

There is Russia with her schemes in China; her only check is Great Britain, for the amount of resistance that France and Germany could offer to Russia in the Orient would be trifling compared with the power that Great Britain could bring to bear. If Russia decided to take advantage of the present engagement of so important a portion of the British military forces in South Africa to push her case in China, it is not easy to see how the British could detach a sufficient force to stop her.

These, of course, are merely possibilities, but they help to give the average man some idea of the intense anxiety that must be felt by those who have been entrusted with the management of those great questions, and of the tremendous responsibility that rests upon the shoulders of the Imperial statesman. The full power of Great Britain has never been really put to the test, for even in the contest with Napoleon she had no occasion to resort to the conscription to fill the ranks or man the decks. The latent energy and strength of Britain are immeasurable, even her own statesmen have only a vague conception of its vastness.

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BOERS' MUNIFICENT SALARIES.

A glance at the history of the Transvaal Republic, at least at the history of recent years, should dispel the idea, if any one entertains such a notion, that the Boers have entered on the present campaign entirely with the object of defending a loved country from the onslaught of an invading foe. In this article will be found a few facts which will prove that the 63,000 Boers had very substantial reasons for refusing any share in the government of the country to the 87,000 Uitlanders. The head of the state, Oom Paul Kruger, draws a salary of $35,000 a year, which will be conceded to be a very fair figure for a country with the population of 63,000 to bestow upon its chief magistrate. This should be sufficient for a man of simple tastes to live upon, but it is not by any means the chief source of revenue of the simple old gentleman, as he is accused of standing in with speculators of various kinds who hold monopolies like that of the dynamite variety, which all told have enabled the President to accumulate a fortune which is estimated at many millions, and which certainly could not be built up from the patriarchal occupation of keeping flocks and herds. These facts prove that Oom Paul has every reason to be satisfied with his present worldly position, and no doubt he believes, and many people will share his belief, that any change would hardly be for the better.

Next to the President come the members of the Raad—which corresponds to our Parliament—who receive $6,000 a year each, or six times as much as we pay our members. Of course there are no Uitlanders in Parliament; all such snaps are reserved for the chosen people. The total cost to the country for salaries alone—needless to say, all drawn by Boers—is $4,500,000. This sum is all, or very near all, paid by the 87,000 Uitlanders, and, we believe, is about three times the amount paid by Canada, with a population of nearly six millions, for the same purpose. The number of Boer families in the Transvaal is computed at not more than 20,000, so that the amount collected from the Uitlanders would provide a nice little pension of $225 a year to each family; indeed it is claimed that a great many of them are provided with an annuity.

The above shows what very substantial reasons the representatives of the Republic have for desiring a continuance of things as they exist at present. But that is not all the story. The gold mines there are the richest in the world and their output is increasing at a very rapid rate. It does not require a very vivid imagination to conjure up visions which may have arisen in the minds of the Boers of vast riches and lives of ease and luxury resulting from the labors of those whom they detest, and from the riches which nature has deposited in the land which God gave them as a heritage.

We do not wish to alarm the government needlessly, more especially since the Conservative convention made it possible for the government to live a little longer than the time allotted it by the editor of the Colonist, but the Premier ought to know what Mr. Clifford, of Cassiar, says about the immediate future. Mr. Clifford is truthful and very conscientious, and there can be no doubt that he believes what he says. Upon his return to Atlin from Victoria a few days ago he said to a reporter of the Claim:

"I think as soon as the House convenes a motion of want of confidence will be carried condemning the administration, or maladministration, of the government for their errors of omission and commission, too numerous to mention. This will cause a general election."

"Will anything be done with the alien law?"

"I do not know. I voted against it last session and have not changed my mind."

Mr. Clifford said he was in favor of the eight-hour law and would vote to sustain it.

If the writer of the following paragraph in the San Francisco Chronicle is as well fortified with total ignorance of the facts on everything else as he is respecting the British Empire and Canada in particular, he must be a valuable member of the nonsense department of that paper:

"Canada will not assist England with troops in case of a Boer war. While the Dominion militia will be sent abroad if such a move were needed to checkmate an enemy bent on attacking Canada as a part of the British empire, they cannot be so used when Canada is safe. Very likely Australia will take the same view. The fact shows clearly where the military weakness of the British empire lies and serves to differentiate that loose confederacy from a single strong and conterminous nation."

"The penurious and contemptible attitude of the Provincial government towards this district" is the style of language made use of by the Atlin Claim when describing the action of the government in consenting to pay $60 per month to a qualified teacher for the Atlin hall of learning. As no teacher can be secured in Atlin for such a salary the school has been closed. Here we have a bona fide reasons for "kicking," assuming that there will be children enough there this winter to form a school, which might be doubted if it were only safe to doubt anything about Atlin.

The Coast Miner, published at Van Anda, B. C., is the latest addition to the journalistic ranks of the province. The editor is Mr. Louis J. Seymour, recently of Victoria. The paper is neatly printed and presents a well-arranged selection of the latest news, and contains such valuable information about the mines in the neighborhood of the place of publication. The Coast Miner has started with a very fair advertising patronage. The Times wishes the youngster prosperity and length of days.

Eugen Sandow has been feeling England's muscle, so to speak, by means of examinations in all the large centres of population, the men passing the examination being presented with a gold, a silver or a bronze medal. He found that the finest physical specimens in the United Kingdom were those who presented themselves at Sheffield and Newcastle. So excellent was the showing there that extra medals had to be given.

Canadian Mining Gazette, Toronto, commends Mr. Reid of the Mikado mine, Ontario, for publishing a report as to the working of that mine. The Gazette says if other companies would do the same no one would be the loser. The Transvaal, Rossland, Westralia and Cripple Creek publish regular reports of their workings.

Vessels carrying 2,500 tons of wheat will be able to get through the newly-opened Soulanges canal. It is proposed to start a line of ore boats from the north shore of Lake Superior straight to Antwerp, next season. This will carry Canadian ores into the heart of the European metal market.

New Zealand, the home of advanced thought in political economy and democratic evolution, has established a carrier pigeon post between two distant points in the islands, and it is doing all the promoters asserted it would.

If the Monday morning Colonist could be placed in the hands of the Boers, war would probably be averted. The absence of news from the seat of war would so disgust the Dutchmen that they would retire immediately to their homes.

Ald. Williams will have an opportunity at to-night's council meeting to set himself right in a parliamentary sense. There is only one way to do it.

Ships in Europe are being fitted with a new pattern of rudder, which is formed of several circular plates arranged so that the supporting shaft passes through their centre; thus forming a balancing rudder which extends equally on both sides of the ship and relieves the pressure of the water in turning.

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PUBLIC MEETING.

MEETING OF RATEPAYERS WILL BE HELD

At Oddfellows' Hall, Spring Ridge, on Monday Evening, October 16,

TO DISCUSS THE

Railway Project--Victoria to Chilliwack

Chair taken at 8 p.m.

BRITISH ARMY BEARSKINS.

Regulations About the Big Fur Headgear of Many Corps.

For more than one hundred and thirty years "a tall hat of fur" has been a conspicuous article of headgear in the British army, and it was with something of a shock that people read in the papers the other day that a committee was going to sit to consider the growing scarcity of the bearskins from which are made the imposing full-dress hat of the Foot Guards, says the London Daily Telegraph. War office committees on clothing are dreadful things, but those that sit on hats are unutterable. Everybody remembers with horror the alleged helmet which such a committee produced a few years ago. It was to be the universal headcovering of the British army, and must be serviceable and useful. The committee decided, as a first principle, that an article possessing these two qualities must be ugly. Proceeding from this premise, they gave full expression to their ideas of utility, and produced a head covering the like of which was never before seen on earth, and it is to be hoped never will be again. There are members of the headquarters staff who to this day have not quite got over the sight of the experimental helmet devised by the committee. Fortunately, only one was made, or instead of only having to lament the scarcity of recruits the nation would have found itself without any army whatever. No regular soldier or self-respecting militiamen—a volunteer will wear anything—would have put it on, and its adoption into the service would have left no service to wear it.

This much is necessary to explain the alarm felt the other day when it was announced that a war office headdress committee was about to tamper with the Guardsman's bearskin. Fortunately the committee has only limted powers. Its only function this time is, so to speak, to haggle with tradesmen. The plain fact is that bearskins are growing scarce, and the cost of providing the Guards with their magnificent "tall hat of fur" is increasing yearly in a remarkable manner. Only one kind of fur is used for this purpose. It is that produced by the American black bear, and as Ursus Americanus, despite the extraordinary cordiality subsisting between the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon race, refuses to produce well-furred integument in sufficient quantities to cover the heads of our Guardsmen at a reasonable rate, the never failing resource of a committe has been called into operation.

It costs, on an average, £1 a head per annum to maintain the imposing appearance imparted by the busby. The great caps cost the government about £8 each. Those worn by the Coldstreams are a little less, but those for the Grenadiers and Scots Guards cost more than that sum. According to the regulations, a busby must last for eight years, but there are several reasons why the regulation "life" of a busby, like the regulation life of a whole lot of other equipment, falls considerably short of the war office span. One of the principal reasons is that the cap is only a home service equipment. When a Guard's battalion is ordered on foreign service the big busbies—stirring battle pictures to the contrary notwithstanding—are returned to store at the Pimlico Clothing Factory. They are not kept there awaiting the return of their former owners, but are reissued to newly joined recruits or to battalions returning home, so that men get what is called "part worn equipment."

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SOCIETIES.

VICTORIA COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, meets first Thursday in every month at Masonic Temple, Douglas street, at 7:30 p.m.
B. S. ODDY, Secretary.

A. O. F. BANQUET

To the Delegates of Columbia District, tendered by the Officers and Members of Courts Vancouver and Northern Light, will be held at Occidental hotel on Tuesday, Oct. 17th, at 9 p.m. Tickets, $1.50 each, to be had from S. Wilson, T. Smith, H. Maynard, Geo. Haupt, J. Robinson, P. Smith, W. Hall, and E. H. Henly, Committee.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Oct. 16.—5 a.m.—There has been a very general decrease of atmospheric pressure caused by the approach of a low area from the northward. Heavy rain is reported from the Washington Coast. In the Canadian Northwest, Winnipeg is the centre of another low area, the barometer there reading 29.24.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.87; temperature, 48; minimum, 47; wind, calm; rain, .71; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster — Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, calm; rain, .92; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, calm; rain, .08; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 34; minimum, 34; wind, calm; weather, snowing.

Neah, Wash.—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, 50; minimum, 46; wind, 10 miles W.; rain, 1.18; weather, raining.

Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 24 miles S.; rain, .23; weather, raining.

Tacoma—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, 52; minimum, 46; wind, 22 miles S. W.; rain, .28; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 52; minimum, 52; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, clear.

—Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong southwest and west winds, unsettled with showers.

Lower Mainland—Southerly to westerly winds, unsettled with rain.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Victoria Cafe, 51 Fort street.

—Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Extracts.

—LIPTON'S "FINEST" BACON at Jameson's, 33 Fort street.

—Holly Club's next dance Wednesday evening, the 18th inst., Harmony Hall.*

—Have you seen the $1 per dozen Printed Cups and Saucers at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street?

—The expected visit of the French cruiser Protet has, it is presumed, been cancelled. French Consul H. M. Grahame has heard nothing more of it.

—Rev. Mr. Miller officiated on Saturday afternoon at the funeral of the late Mrs. Weeks. Those who acted as pallbearers were Messrs. Maynard, Woodward, Mercer, Winsby, Blake and Winsby.

—An alarm was turned in to the fire brigade at 5 o'clock yesterday morning, the cause being a small blaze at the residence of Mr. Mortimer, Kane street, where hot ashes had generated a fire in the kitchen. Loss $25.

—Special services, commemorative of the eighth anniversary of the church, were held yesterday in St. Paul's Presbyterian, Victoria West, Right Rev. Bishop Cridge preaching in the morning and Rev. Dr. Campbell in the evening.

—Grand display of the latest styles in Millinery at the Sterling, 88 Yates street.

—Vancouver Encampment, No. 1, I.O.O.F., meets to-morrow night, when the first degree will be conferred upon one brother and another patriarch will be advanced to the second degree. Two applications for membership will also come up for consideration.

—"All our fine teas require 25 minutes to infuse" was formerly the yarn on some grocers' bags. Times, teas and tastes have changed and it is wonderful how easily and quickly a delicious cup of "HONDI" can be made. See directions on the packets.

—Although the remarkably late season has caused an unprecedented delay in holding the Saanich show, it is expected the number and excellence of the exhibits will make up for the disappointment of the postponement. Secretary Turgoose was in town on Saturday and says the prospects are exceptionally bright.

—Rev. D. MacRae presided at the annual meeting of the Y.W.C.A. on Saturday afternoon at the rooms of the association. Bishop Cridge conducted the devotional exercises with which the meeting opened after which satisfactory reports were received regarding the progress of the work during the past year. Addresses were delivered by Revs. J. P. D. Knox, W. L. Clay, H. F. Hastings and the Bishop of Columbia.

—Victoria Cafe, 51 Fort street.

—The Universal Brotherhood held their regular public meeting last evening in their rooms 28 Broad street, the subject for the evening being "Souls Seeking Bodies." The speaker outlined that soul life was necessary for the further development of the human race, and that unselfish love for humanity would awaken new powers and faculties in the human being. As man learned to understand his divine nature he would also comprehend the nature of the dark forces which seek to destroy the human race. As his knowledge of truth expanded greater responsibility for the daily acts of life would necessarily come about. Many questions were asked and replied to by the members, this being a special feature of the Brotherhood meetings. Good music as usual made the evening most interesting.

—Victoria Cafe, 51 Fort street.

—Superfluous hair removed by electrolysis. Electric Parlors, 114 Yates street.

—French Lessons by Prof. A. Dumas, B. A., Paris University, 40 Douglas street.

—Michael Halley was taken to the city lockup last night for safe keeping under direction from Dr. Fraser.

—The Victoria W.C.T.U. will hold a parlor social at the residence of Mrs. Gordon Grant, Douglas street, at 3 p.m. to-morrow. Mrs. Henry will address the meeting.

—Reduced rates to the East over the Northern Pacific Railroad effective September 12th; the second-class rate to Chicago will be reduced to $46; second-class rates to all points east of Chicago will be reduced also.—E. E. Blackwood, agent.

—Latest styles in Ladies' Capes, Jackets and Costumes at The Sterling, 88 Yates street.

—Seattle Exposition; low rates. Dodwell & Co. announce that a special rate of a single fare for the round trip will be in effect during the Seattle Exposition. Good leaving on Tuesday and Friday mornings, returning on the following Friday and Monday nights. Full particulars can be obtained at Dodwell & Co., 64 Government street.

—Sanitary Officer Wilson has two cases of infraction of the Sewers Connection By-law in court this morning, the defendants being J. H. Nicholson and Samuel Booth. The sanitary officer is rigidly enforcing the law in regard to property owners making sewer connection with their properties, and these actions are the result. Mr. Booth agreed to make the connection and the case against him was withdrawn. Mr. Nicholson also is anxious to put in the desired improvements, but is not financially able. Mr. Bradburn, for the city, consented to an adjournment for a week to allow defendant to abate the nuisance.

—On Wednesday of last week Mr. E. Lorenz and Miss Emily Woods of this city were united in marriage in Vancouver. The ceremony, which was a very quiet one, was celebrated by the Rev. Mr. McLaren in the presence of a very small company of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz returned to the city on Saturday evening, and have taken up their residence at the Queen's Hotel, of which Mr. Lorenz has been the efficient manager for the past two years. Mrs. Lorenz enjoys wide popularity among her companions in Victoria West, where she has lived for some time. The young couple were the recipients of a number of handsome and novel presents, all of them elegant and some of a useful character.

—Ah Fook is a Chinaman who has repeatedly engaged the attention of the police, being a notorious thief. His "taking" ways have been the cause of numerous occasions for explanation to the magistrate, his tastes covering a wide range, from coal oil to chickens. On Saturday night a pair of trousers were hanging in front of B. Williams & Co.'s store, and he proceeded to appropriate them, omitting the formality of giving in exchange any coin of the realm. He was detected in the act by a passer-by, who informed the clerk, H. Becker. The latter gave chase and caught the fellow, but did not get the pants. In September of last year the same man was convicted of stealing a pair of pants from the same place. When charged with the offence this morning he denied the charge, even denying that he ran, although Mr. Becker swore that he gave him the liveliest run he has had for some time, the Oriental having struck a three-minute clip when the alarm was given. He was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labor.

—Considering the inclement weather, the attendance at the A.O.U.W. Hall to hear Mrs. S. M. I. Henry yesterday afternoon and evening was very good. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Grant, president of the local W.C.T.U. The pastors of the city who were present took places on the platform and assisted in the services. Mrs. Henry was introduced to the audience by United States Consul Smith, who spoke of her as an old friend whom he had known for more than a quarter of a century as a worker in the interest of the W.C.T.U. in the States. Mrs. Henry's address for the afternoon was on the value of the boy of this age, entitled "What is the boy worth?" A full report of the address is crowded out of this issue, but will appear to-morrow. In the evening Mrs. Henry spoke to a crowded audience on the subject "Why children drift away from church." Mrs. Henry will give two more addresses in this city before she leaves for the national convention at Seattle. These addresses will be given in Pioneer Hall, 28½ Broad street. The subject for to-night is "The Holy Spirit and Health." A cordial invitation is extended to all. The addresses will begin at 8 o'clock.

—One of the important comedy engagements of the season will be the successful comedy "Mistakes Will Happen" at the Victoria Theatre to-morrow evening. It has been said that this is the best farcical comedy the stage has seen in years and is presented with an elaborate production and an exceptionally strong company under the direction of Jacob Litt. The play tells the story of a young actor and an actress, who have been married secretly, their manager objecting to employing married people in his company. The young husband has written a play, on the production of which he feels he will be in a position to announce his marriage. Unfortunately, he finds it exceedingly difficult to interest managers and he and his wife determine to seek some one with means who will be willing to back the play. An elderly business man become immediately interested in the young actress, who tried to secure his support for her husband's play. In the meantime, Mrs. Chase, his flirtatious young wife, has struck up a strong friendship with the young actor, who tries to interest her in his play. Weird complications ensue. The sub-plot is furnished by the love affairs of a German maid servant who has a happy faculty of invariably doing the wrong thing at the wrong time. A novel scene is provided in the second act. The cast is headed by Charles Dickson.

THE GENERAL'S VISIT.

Recruiting Office to be Opened in Victoria for Transvaal Volunteers.

To-night the final battalion parade of the Fifth Regiment before inspection will be held in the drill hall, when the staff and band will attend. Owing to the unfavorable weather there will be no march out, but any of the public who attend will have an opportunity of hearing the band render a programme of popular airs. The officers of the regiment are naturally anxious that the parade to-night should be as full as possible, as the credit of the corps is at stake, and it is already intimated in orders that those who absent themselves from the inspection parade will be dealt with under the provisions of the Militia Act.

Lieut.-Colonel Gregory was over to Vancouver on Saturday, when he met the G. O. C., who was accompanied by the A. D. C. Capt Bell, and by Lieut.-Colonel Peters, D. O. C., who went up to Mission to receive him. The 6th Rifles paraded yesterday afternoon for inspection, afterwards attending divine service.

The general will be entertained to-night at Vancouver, and to-morrow will come over to Victoria. On Wednesday he will inspect the Fifth Regiment in the drill hall, and on Thursday evening will be the guest of local officers at a little banquet in the mess room. He will start the same evening for Ottawa.

It will be seen that this is a change in the original programme, in which Saturday was set for inspection. It is necessitated by the fact that General Hutton is forced to hurry back to the capital.

The following orders relative to the inspection has been issued:

5th Regiment C. A.

Regimental order by Lieut.-Col. Gregory, commanding:

Regimental Headquarters,
Victoria, B.C., Oct. 16th, 1899.

1. No. 2 of regimental order of October 16th, 1899, is hereby cancelled and the following substituted in lieu thereof.

2. The regiment will parade at the drill hall on Wednesday evening, the 18th instant, at 8.30 o'clock, for the purpose of being inspected by the general officer commanding.

3. Any absentees from this parade will be dealt with under the "Militia Act." Dress: Drill order with helmets.

By order (Sgd.)
M. G. BLANCHARD, Capt.
Adjutant.

Victoria having been designated as a recruiting station, Lieut.-Col. Gregory will be at the drill hall on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening, between 7.30 and 10.30, to receive applications for service. It should be noted that volunteers need not be members of the militia. The conditions of service are set forth in an order issued to-day, the detail of which will be found in another column.

The order continues: "Pursuant to above general order, ANY PERSON wishing to volunteer for service in South Africa with the Canadian contingent, subject to the above conditions, will apply at the orderly room, drill hall, between the hours of 7.30 and 10.30 p.m., on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week."

In connection with the matter of sending a Canadian contingent the following telegrams have been received by the Montreal Star from the Coast:

To the Editor of the Star:

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 6.—I do think it would be a good thing to send a Canadian contingent to the Transvaal, as it would show that Canada regards itself as an integral part of the British Empire.

CHAS. E. REDFERN,
Mayor.

To the Editor of the Star:

New Westminster, B.C., Oct. 7.

Our duty to the Empire is clear. We must be prepared to maintain its honor and integrity with our fullest strength. I most heartily approve of a strong Canadian contingent representative of all provinces being sent at once, to be followed by a second if there should be the slightest necessity for it.

THOMAS OVENS,
Mayor of New Westminster.

—A batch of drunks, all first offenders, were before the police magistrate this morning. Thos. Backus, Frank Voltier and Herbert Hill were each fined $2.50 with the option of five days' imprisonment. John, a West Coast Indian, and Emma, an Indian woman, found drunk on the reservation, were fined $5 and $1 and $2 costs respectively.

—The funeral of the late William H. Crampton took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, Douglas street. Rev. Mr. Hughes conducted the services. There was a large attendance of Orangemen and also members of the Maccabees, from which bodies the pallbearers were selected as follows: Dr. S. Tolmie, W. Minty, E. Kung, J. G. Walsh, W. J. Bowser and R. Ledingham.

—The sugar barrel which was in court on Saturday was again in evidence this morning. It had only been in the yard a few hours when it again disappeared, and shortly afterwards Officer Conlin met Ah Wah, a young Chinaman, trudging along Store street with the coveted barrel. Before passing sentence the court directed the interpreter to tell the accused that the old man who was up for stealing the same barrel on Saturday had been released because of his great age, and because his friends agreed to send him to China. The magistrate wished him to understand that because the old man escaped, accused could not steal with impunity, and sentenced him to three weeks' imprisonment with hard labor. Mr. Brooks, in the meantime, has secured a cask which Chinamen cannot carry away.

—Ye Old Blue Willow Crockery and other fine patterns just opened and for sale cheap at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

—We are showing all the latest styles and shapes in American Sailors and Walking Hats. The Sterling, 88 Yates street.

SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

The grain freight market is still firm at 35 shillings, with the usual options, wheat only, or 36s. 3d., wheat and barley, or 37s., barley only. There is no change to report in lumber freights and for prompt loading, Puget Sound ports, rates are as follows: Sydney, 45s. and 46s. 3d.; Melbourne or Adelaide, 52s. 6d. and 53s. 9d.; Port Pirie, 50s. and 51s. 3d.; Fremantle, 63s. 9d. and 65s.; Geraldton, 65s. and 66s. 3d.; West Coast, 51s. 3d. and 52s. 6d. Pisagua range, and 52s. 6d. and 53s. 9d. Callao range; Buenos Aires, 60s. and 65s.; Shanghai, 53s. 9d.; Kiaochow, 55s. and 56s. 3d.; Japan, 50s. and 51s. 3d.; Vladivostock, 50s. and 51s. 3d.; South Africa, 65s. and 67s. 6d.; U. K., 75s. and 77s. 6d.

Steamer Umatilla arrived from San Francisco this morning about ten hours late, the cause again being bad weather. She brought 108 passengers, 27 for Victoria, and 91 tons of freight for Victoria merchants. Steamer Walla Walla will sail for the Golden Gate from the outer wharf this evening. Those booked to sail by her from here are: A. Coulstans, W. A. McIntosh, C. Perry, E. J. Johnston, Dr. A. E. Verrinder, Miss Grearis, Miss M. Parnell, Miss R. Dixon, Geo. A. McIntyre, J. J. Kenary, H. Suitzed, T. R. Monroe, R. and Mrs. Horton, Miss A. Burham, Mrs. Frank Hall and J. W. Miller.

American ship Charles Moody, of San Francisco, from Norfolk to Honolulu with coal for government naval station, has been posted as overdue. The ship is now out 179 days. Marine insurance speculators are asking 45 per cent. on reinsurance. On the British ship St. Enoch from Panama for San Francisco, now overdue, 15 per cent. is quoted. Lloyds are very anxious about the overdue ship Queen Victoria, now out 56 days from Shanghai for Tacoma. They have wired here asking if any of the late arrivals have sighted the missing vessel.

Another trio of sealers have arrived, the Favorite, Captain Lachlan McLean, with 1,147 skins; the Hatzie, Captain Daley, with 927 skins; and the City of San Diego with 930 skins. Both the Favorite and the Hatzie had branded skins. The favorite lost a canoe with an Indian hunter, Alberni John, and his klootchman, who was steering for him, during September, and one of her Indians, Peter, of Quatsino, died and was buried at sea.

R.M.S. Empress of Japan is due to-morrow from the Orient. J. A. Fullerton and the officials of the C.P.R. and customs staffs arrived by the Islander last evening to meet her. Among her passengers is Prof. Worcester, a member of the Peace Commission, sent to the Phillipine Islands by the United States government.

Steamer City of Seattle will sail for Alaskan ports from the Sound this evening and from Vancouver to-morrow morning. Among the passengers who go from here to the north on her is Norman Hardie, local manager of Dodwell & Co., who will make the round trip. He went over on the Yosemite last evening.

Steamer Dirigo reached Vancouver this afternoon from Lynn Canal ports with a cargo of gold. She had in all $1,200,000, probably the last shipment to arrive from Dawson. It is from the Dawson banks and the Alaska Commercial Company.

British ship City of Delhi is laden and now lying at Steveston ready for sea. She has a total cargo of 52,754 cases of salmon loaded for Evans, Coleman & Evans by Stevedore Alex. McDermott.

The construction work on the Victoria Marine Railway is being carried on rapidly. They will be open for business on November the 1st. For rates enquire at the yard or telephone No. 257.

C.P.R. bulletin announces that the American liner St. Paul and the Cunard liner Luciania arrived at New York yesterday morning.

Steamer Islander left Vancouver at 1:35. The train from the East was cancelled to-day.

Steamer Princess Louise will sail this evening for the Naas and way ports of the North.

Steamer Danube is expected to arrive this evening from Skagway via ports.

Steamer Willapa sailed last night for the way ports of the West Coast.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

The divorce case of Schultz v. Schultz came up before Mr. Justice Walkem this morning. The husband, Henry Schultz, sues for divorce from his wife, Helena Schultz, and alleges as the cause adultery. Some formal evidence was taken and the case adjourned until to-morrow at 4 p.m. Mr. A. S. Potts appears for the husband and the wife is unrepresented. The parties are of Atlin and Vernon.

PORTLAND EXPOSITION.

Northern Pacific Railway has made a rate of $11.00 Victoria to Portland and return, including two admissions to Exposition. Tickets on sale Tuesdays, Oct. 10th, 17th and 24th, good to return, leaving Portland following Mondays.

E. E. BLACKWOOD,
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EXPERT RECOMMENDATIONS.

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Resources of Cassiar

A London Syndicate Which is Satisfied With Its Prospects There

A Prediction That it Will Produce More Gold Than Klondike.

The district of Cassiar, especially that portion of it watered by the headwaters of the Stikine river, is, in the opinion of some gentlemen who have made an examination of it, one of the future contributors on a large scale to the wealth of the Dominion. The district has hitherto been rather unfortunate, inasmuch as a route was advocated through it to the Klondike, which proved a fatal one to many of the gold seekers who adopted it, and the ill-luck which attended almost all of those who went in by the Stikine, had a prejudical effect on their minds, which militated against a proper examination into the resources of the land.

Last year, however, influenced by the favorable reports received from competent engineers, a syndicate of eight gentlemen in London, Eng., was formed to undertake a preliminary examination of the Dease district, preparatory to the formation of a company should this investigation prove encouraging. The corporation was known as the Cassiar Venture Syndicate, and among them was Mr. Bertram Tennyson, a nephew of the laureate, an interview with whom was accorded to the Times a few weeks ago. So encouraging did Mr. Tennyson find the prospects that an engineer was employed to go carefully over the ground and submit a report to the promoters.

This work, Mr. Irving, the engineer employed, has just completed, and he is now on his way out preceded by a few days by J. A. Haskins, also of the party, who reached Victoria yesterday, having come down on the Alki to Port Townsend. Mr. Haskins, who is staying at the Dominion, assured a Times man this morning that although matters are now comparatively quiet there, the indications are that the next two years will witness a revolution. At present there are six steamers lying idle at Wrangel, but in two years he predicts double that number will find constant employment on the river.

"The day will come, and that very shortly," he said, "when Cassiar will turn out more gold than the Klondike. There are lying there to-day, only awaiting the advent of capital to turn it to account, miles and miles of the richest pay gravel. It is not a poor man's country in the ordinary acceptation of the term, but it affords the very finest field for hydraulicking, and that after all makes the very best kind of mining operations for the poor man, for it affords him work at a good wage, without the personal financial risk involved in ordinary placer mining."

The property which has been surveyed for the Cassiar Venture Syndicate is on Rozetta creek, a tributary of French creek. The report of Engineer Irving is understood to be very favorable, and next year, as Mr. Tennyson prophesied while in Victoria, a regular company will be formed to operate the claims. Complete hydraulicking machinery will be sent in, and the stock of the corporation it is believed will be entirely subscribed for among the promoters and their friends.

The Cassiar Central railroad have graded their road for a distance of three or four miles, and they emphatically deny that the work is done only to ensure them their land grant. They have had parties of prospectors at work all summer, and the secrecy which has been observed by these men lends color to the belief that they have made some good discoveries. On Tibbet's creek, which empties into Dease river, four or five miles from Dease lake, they are installing a big hydraulic plant which will be worked extensively next season.

No further tales of hardship were heard from Edmonton trail men on the road out. There are a number of these men at Dease lake, Glenora and Wrangel, but most of those who remain at the points named are by no means stranded and are staying in the country from choice.

The climate of Cassiar, Mr. Haskins asserts, has been misrepresented. It is so much milder than in Minnesota or Dakota; the snowfall does not exceed three feet, and when he left Dease at the end of September, the weather was delightful.

The journey down the Stikine was made in an open boat, all the steamers being tied up for the year.

He intends returning to Dease over the ice as soon as possible.

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FORESTERS IN SESSION.

Opening of Columbia District Meeting This Morning—The Delegates.

Members of the Ancient Order of Foresters assembled in the K of P. Hall, Broad street, this morning, for the annual meeting of Columbia district. Those in attendance are: Phil. R. Smith, D.C.R., Victoria; William Bennett, D.S.C.R., Nanaimo; S. A. Bantly, district treasurer, Victoria; F. P. Watson, district secretary; John Hilbert, district organizer, Nanaimo A. E. H Spencer, Thomas J. Buckle, Alex. Forrester, and A. C. Wilson, delegates from Nanaimo; A. H. McBride and George Adams, delegates from New Westminster; Arthur Clegg and W. F. Humphrey, delegates from Vancouver; and T. C. Smith, W. F. Fullerton, F. Carne, jr., and Andrew Strachan from Victoria lodges.

The morning's session was devoted to the appointment of a committee on credentials, which duly reported, and the receipt of reports from the various officers. An adjournment was taken at noon until 3 o'clock, and the afternoon session is proceeding as the Times goes to press. The meetings will continue this evening and to-morrow and Wednesday.

The annual banquet will be held to-morrow evening at the Occidental hotel, and judging from the ornate menu received by the Times, promises to be one of the most enjoyable affairs of the kind ever held in this city.

The visiting delegates are staying at the Dominion and Victoria hotels.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

(Reported by F. S. Taggart & Co.)

New York, Oct. 16.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Am. Sugar	141	143¾	141	143⅞
C. B. & Q.	129¼	130¼	129¼	130¼
C. M. & St. P.	124	124¾	124	124⅝
Manhattan	106⅝	107	105½	106⅝
People's Gas	109¼	110	109⅞	110
C. R. I. & P.	111⅝	112¼	111½	112¼
Tobacco, ex-div.	118	119	117	118⅞
A. T. & S. F. pfd.	62¼	63	62¼	63
U. P. pfd.	75⅛	75⅜	75¼	75⅜
T. C. & I.	114½	116⅜	114½	116⅜
A. T. & S. F. com	20⅜	20½	20⅛	20½
L. & N.	81½	81⅛	81¼	81⅝
B. R. T.	80¼	83	80¼	83
N. P. pfd.	74¼	74½	74¼	74½
U. P. com.	43	43⅜	43	43⅜
A. S. W. com.	51⅜	52⅜	51⅜	52⅜

Tobacco ex-div. to-day 1½ per cent.

Chicago Market.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—The following quotations ruled on the Board of Trade:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	74⅞	74⅞	74½	74⅝
Dec.	71⅜	71¾	71⅛	71½
Corn—				
May	32	32	31¾	32
Dec.	31	31	30½	30⅞
Pork—				
Jan.	945	945	940	940
Dec.	805	805	797½	797½

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

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	Asked.	Bid.
Golden Star	29½	28
Cariboo (Camp McKinney)	110	85
Minnehaha	17	15
Waterloo	11¼	11
Fontenoy	15	12
Cariboo Hydraulic	140	130
Fairview	6¼	5½
Old Ironsides	114	108
Knob Hill	92	85
Rathmullen	8¼	7½
Brandon and Golden Cr.	30	28
Morrison	15	13½
Winnipeg	30	29
Athabasca	40	35
Dundee	15	12
Dardanelles	13	11
Noble Five	25	22
Payne	108	104
Rambler Cariboo Con	48	46
Wonderful Group	6	4½
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	44.00	40.00
Republic	116	115½
Van Anda	8	7½
Big 3	16	14
Deer Park	4½	3½
Evening Star	8¾	8
Homestake	9	7
Iron Mask	75	72½
Montreal Gold Fields	16	12
Monte Christo Con	5½	4
Northern Belle	2	1½
Novelty	3¼	3
St. Paul	1½	1
Silver Bell Con	5	3
St. Elmo	7	4
Virginia	9	7½
Victory Triumph	5½	4¾
War Eagle Con	302	285
White Bear	4	3¾
B. C. Gold Fields	4¼	3¾
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Deer Trail	22	21
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SWINBURNE'S WAR SONNET.

London, Oct. 13.—Algernon Swinburne's war sonnet, just published, is entitled "October Ninth, Eighteen Ninety-Nine." It is as follows:

Patience, long sick to death is dead. Too long
Have sloth and doubt and treason hidden us be
What Cromwell's England was not when the sea to him
Bore witness, given of Blake, how strong
She stood, a commonweal that brooked no wrong
From foes less vile than men, like wolves set free;
Whose war is waved, where none may fight or flee,
With women and with weanlings. Speech and song
Lack utterance now for loathing, since we hear
Foul tongues that blacken God's dishonored name,
With prayers turned curses and with praise found shame
Deny the truth whose witness now draws near:
To scourge these dogs, agape with jaws afoam
Down, out of life, strike, England, and strike home.

THE VAMPIRE VINE.

The octopus has hitherto been regarded as the most hateful and horrible of all created things. There has, however, been discovered in Nicaragua, a plant which is as fearsome as the devil-fish. It is a vine called by the natives "the devil's snare," and it seems literally to drain the blood of any living thing which comes within its death-dealing touch. A naturalist, who has recently returned from Central America, relates the finding of this singular growth in one of the swamps which surround the great lakes of Nicaragua.

He was engaged in hunting for botanical and entomological specimens, when he heard his dog cry out as if in agony from a distance. Running to the spot he found the dog enveloped in a network of what seemed to be a fine rope-like tissue of roots and fibres. The vine seemed to be composed of bare interlacing stems resembling the branches of the weeping willow denuded of leaves, of a dark hue, and covered with a thick viscid gum that exuded from the pores. Drawing his knife he endeavored to cut the animal free, but it was only with the greatest difficulty he succeeded in severing the fleshy, muscular fibres. To his horror and amazement the naturalist then saw that the dog's body was blood-stained, while the skin appeared to have been actually sucked or puckered in spots, and the animal staggered as if from exhaustion.

In cutting the vine the twigs turned like living, sinuous fingers, and it required no slight force to free the hand from its clinging grasp, which left the flesh red and blistered. The gum exuding from the vine was of a greyish dark tinge, remarkably adhesive, and of a disagreeable animal odour, powerful and nauseating to inhale. The native servants manifested the greatest horror of the vine, which they called "the devil's snare," and were full of stories of its death-dealing powers. Its voracity is almost beyond belief, its power of suction being contained in a number of infinitesimal mouths. If the substance it seizes is animal, the blood is drawn off, and the carcase dropped. On a lump of raw meat being thrown to it, in the space of five minutes the blood is drunk off, and the mass thrown aside.

STEVENSON'S LETTER TO A BOY.

Tomarcher, I am now a distinguished littertour; but that was not the real bent of my genius. I was the best player of hide-and-seek going; not a good runner, I was up to every shift and dodge, i could jink very well, I could crawl without any noise through leaves, I could hide under a carrot plant, it used to be my favorite boast that I always walked into the den. You may care to hear, Tomarcher, about the children in these parts; their parents obey them, they do not obey their parents; and I am sorry to tell you (for I daresay you are already thinking the idea a good one) that it does not pay one half-penny. There are three sorts of civilization, Tomarcher; the real old-fashioned one, in which children either had to find out how to please their dear papas, or their dear papas cut their heads off. This style did very well, but is now out of fashion. Then the modern European style, in which children have to behave reasonably well, and go to school and say their prayers, or their dear papas will know the reason why. This does fairly well. Then there is the South Sea Island play, which does not do one bit. The children beat their parents here; it does not make their parents any better; so do not try it.

Dear Tomarcher, I have forgotten the address of your new house, but will send this to one of your papa's publishers. Remember us all to all of you, and believe me, yours respectably,

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—From "The Letters of Robert Louis Stevenson," in the October Scribner's.

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Life on a Warship

From the Captain's Comfortable Cabin to the Jack Tars' Apartments.

About the Duties on a Man-of-War--Wardroom and Gun-room Amenities.

As in a town, we have here men of all sorts and professions, we find all manner of human interests cropping up here in times of leisure, and yet the whole company have one feeling, one interest in common, their ship, and through her their navy.

First of all, of course, comes the captain, who, in spite of the dignity and grandeur of his position, must at times feel very lonely. He lives in awful state, a sentry (of marines) continually guarding his door, and although he does unbend at stated times as far as inviting a few officers to dine with him, or accepting the officers' invitation to dine in the ward room, this relaxation must not come too often. The commander, who is

The Chief Executive Officer,

is in a far better position as regards comfort. He comes between the captain and the actual direction of affairs, he has a spacious cabin to himself, but he takes his meals at the ward room table among all the officers above the rank of sub-lieutenant, and shares their merriment; the only subtle distinction made between him and everybody else at such times being in the little word "Sir," which is dropped adroitly in when he is being addressed. For the rest, naval mons is so keen that amidst the wildest fun when off duty no officer can feel that his dignity is tampered with, and they pass from sociability to cast-iron discipline and back again with an ease amazing to a landsman.

The ward room of a battleship is a pleasant place. It is a spacious apartment, taking in the whole width of the ship, handsomely decorated and lit by electricity. There is usually a piano, a good library and some handsome plate for the table. It is available not only for meals, but as a drawing room, a common meeting ground for lieutenants, marine officers, surgeons, chaplain and senior engineers, where they may unbend and exchange views, as well as enjoy one another's society free from the grip of the collar. A little lower down in the scale of authority, as well as actually is the hull of the ship, comes the

Gun Room,

the affix being a survival, and having no actual significance now. In this respect both ward room and gun room have the advantage over the captain's cabin, in which there are a couple of quick-firing guns, causing those sacred precincts to be invaded by a small host of men at general quarters, who manipulate those guns as if they were on deck.

The gun room is the ward room over again, only more so—that is, more wildly hilarious, more given to outbursts of melody and rough play. Here meet the sub-lieutenants and assistant engineers, and other junior officers and midshipmen. With these latter admirals in embryo we find a state of things existing that is of the highest service to them in after life. Taking their meals as gentlemen, with a senior at the head of the table, meeting round that same table at other times for social enjoyment, once they are outside the gun room door they have no more privacy than the humblest bluejacket. They sleep and dress and bathe—live, in fact—coram publico, which is one of the healthiest things, when you come to think of it, for

A Youngster of Any Class.

Although they are now officers in H. M. navy they are still schoolboys, and their education goes steadily on at stated hours in a well-appointed school room, keeping pace with that sterner training they are receiving on deck. The most grizzled old seaman on board must "Sir" them, but there are plenty of correctives all around to hinder the growth in them of any false pride.

On the same deck is to be found the common room of the warrant officers, such as bo'sun, carpenter, gunner; those sages who have worked their difficult way up from the bottom of the sailor's ladder through all the grades, and are, with the petty officers, the mainstay of the service. Each of them has a cabin of his own, as is only fitting; but here they meet as do their superiors overhead, and air their opinions freely. But like the ward-room officers, they mostly talk "shop," for they have only one great object in life, the efficiency of their charge, and it leaves them little room for any other topics. Around this, the after part of the ship, cluster also another little body of men and lads, the domestics, as they are termed, who do their duty of attendance upon officers and waiting at table under all circumstances with that neatness and celerity that is inseparable from

All Work Performed

in a ship-of-war. Body servants of officers are usually marines, but the domestics are a class apart, strictly non-combatant, yet under naval law and discipline.

Going "forrard," the chief petty officers will be found to make some attempt at shutting themselves apart from the general by arrangements of curtains, etc., all liable and ready to be flung into oblivion at the first note of a bugle. For the rest, their lives are absolutely public. No one has a corner that he may call his own, unless perhaps it is his "ditty box," that little case of needles, thread and et ceteras that he needs so often, and is therefore allowed to keep on a shelf near the spot where he eats. Each man's clothes are kept in a bag, which has its allotted place in a rack, far away from the spot where his hammock and bed are spirited off to every morning at 5 o'clock, to lie concealed until the pipe "down hammocks" at night. And yet by the arrangement of "messes" each man has, in common with a few others, a settled spot where they meet at a common table, even though it be not shut in, and is liable to sudden disappearance during an evolution. So that a man's mess becomes his rallying point; it is there that the

Young Bluejacket or Marine

learns worldly wisdom, and many other things. The practice of keeping all bedding on the move as it were, having no permanent sleeping places, required getting used to, but it is a most healthy one, and even if it were not it is difficult to see how, within the limited space of a warship, any other arrangement would be possible. Order among belongings is kept by a carefully graduated system of fines payable in soap—any article found astray by the ever-watchful naval police being immediately impounded and held to ransom. And as every man's kit is subject to a periodical overhaul by officers, any deficiency cannot escape notice.

Every man's time is at the disposal of the service whenever it is wanted, but in practice much leisure is allowed for rest, recreation and mental improvement. Physical development is fully looked after by the rules of the service, but all are encouraged to make the best of themselves, and no efforts on the part of any man to better his position is made in vain. Nowhere, perhaps, is

Vice Punished

or virtue rewarded with greater promptitude, and since all punishments and rewards are fully public, the lessons they convey are never lost. But apart from the service routine, the civil life of this little world is a curious and most interesting study. The industrious man who, having bought a sewing machine, earns substantial addition to his pay by making every item of his less energetic messmates' clothes (except boots) for a consideration, the far-seeing man who makes his leisure fit him for the time when he shall have left the navy, the active temperance man who seeks to bring one after the other of his shipmates into line with the ever-growing body of teetotalers that are fast altering completely the moral condition of our sailors, the religious man who gets permission to hold his prayer-meeting in some torpedo-flat or casemate surrounded by weapons—all these go to make up the multifarious life of a big battleship.—London Spectator.

A Winnipeg despatch says the machinists' strike on the C. P. R. is off, and all machinists, fitters, boilermakers and blacksmiths on the line, from coast to coast, are back at work. The general committee met on Saturday morning, when the sub-committee, who had interviewed Manager Whyte, reported that the management of the mechanical department had asked for an interview with the general committee, and on these grounds the committee unanimously decided to declare the strike off. The general committee then brought the matter before a meeting of the strikers when the were apprised of the company's move and that the strike was off.

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Provincial News.

ROSSLAND.

A public meeting was held Saturday evening for the purpose of hearing an address from the Hon. Sidney Fisher, Dominion minister of agriculture, and Hewitt Bostock, M.P. The following resolution was afterwards offered and unanimously carried by the crowded audience, amongst whom were many American citizens resident in Rossland: "That this meeting, composed of British and American subjects, who are working harmoniously together in the goldfields of British Columbia, where they enjoy the fullest measure of freedom and justice, whilst deploring the necessity of war between Great Britain and the Transvaal, take this opportunity to assure the British government of its warmest sympathy, and hereby urges the Canadian government without delay to make offers of assistance to Great Britain as may seem desirable."

When the chairman put the motion the entire audience rose, and after cheering heartily sang the national anthem.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

A batch of twenty patients from the Provincial Hospital for the Insane, in accordance with the arrangements made by the government, were on Friday returned to their homes in the East and in the Old Country. Seven of these come from different points in the East; thirteen of them belong to the Old Country. For the convenience and comfort of the party a special tourist car was engaged on the East-bound express, and in this the patients were comfortably lodged, all due provisions being made for sleeping and meals on the transcontinental journey. The party is in charge of Mr. Tom Mayes, who will escort the thirteen Old Country patients to their home beyond the Atlantic; Attendant J. Pamphery, accompanying him as far as Montreal, and seeing to the disposition of the seven from the Eastern provinces. A considerable number of asylum patients are thus being restored to their friends, and, while they will cease to be a charge on the province the tax on the accommodation at the Provincial Hospital for the Insane has been lessened to that extent.

NELSON.

The Methodist church was the scene of a double wedding on Wednesday evening, when the pastor, Rev. John Robson, solemnized the marriage of J. J. Atkin, of the tug Ymir, and Miss Sarah Forge, of Windermere; also George T. Moir and Miss Ellen Harvey, both of Nelson.

The financial year is drawing to a close, and the numerous heavy expenditures rendered necessary by the various public works and improvements effected by the present council have been a heavy drain upon the municipal exchequer. Accordingly, at the adjourned meeting of the council held on Thursday afternoon, the city clerk read a concise statement of the city finances. The statement shows an estimated gross deficit of $18,369.47. Of this sum between $4,000 and $5,000 may be written off against arrears of taxes, electric light and water rates, sewer rentals, etc., leaving a net deficit of, say, $14,000. Investigation shows that this deficit is almost entirely on the waterworks and electric light accounts, in which the deficits total $7,196 and $6,192 respectively, a total of $13,388. The electric light flume, when started by the last council, was estimated to cost about $5,000. As a matter of fact it has cost about $12,000, a difference of $7,000. Moreover, when the last council made the costly purchase of the electric light plant, no arrangements were made with regard to the purchase of the dam site, an omission which cost the present council $1,200. The new dynamos also cost $1,200, an addition which was not contemplated when the electric light by-law was passed, but afterwards found necessary to enable the council to make the best of their predecessors' bad bargain. Add to this the $3,300 deficit on the waterworks account left by the late council, and $12,700 of the $14,000 is accounted for. After the city clerk had read the financial statement, a short discussion ensued, but it was decided to postpone action until the next meeting of the council, when it would be decided whether the deficit will be left as an overdraft at the bank, or whether money will be asked for to meet it.

KAMLOOPS.

On Thursday the Coal Hill stage met with an accident. The stage was hired to take Messrs. Boillot Bros. and O. S. Batchelor to the Python, Wheel Tamar and Noonday mines. They had examined the new strike on the 55 foot level on the Python and started over the hill to Jacko lake, when on a slight slope the horses gave a start, and the upper wheels striking on a root or small hillock, upset the rig, precipitating all the occupants onto the ground. No one was hurt but McFadden, the driver, who had both bones of his left leg broken about six inches above the ankle.

Hon. Sidney Fisher, M.P., Minister of Agriculture, opened the exhibition on Wednesday afternoon. His address was brief, but of an eminently practical nature. He spoke as a farmer to farmers, and congratulated them upon the excellence of the displays he had seen in every division. The fruits and vegetables had impressed him strongly. In fact he had to admit that he had learned a great deal that was entirely new to him concerning the capabilities of the soil in the interior of British Columbia. Mr. Fisher had some sound advice to give our stock raisers in regard to the possibilities of the Kootenay mining districts as a market for their beef, particularly urging upon them the advisability of raising the standard of their cattle, as in the long run it was both economical and profitable. He expressed great pleasure in the opportunity afforded him of meeting the farmers of the district and promised to do all in his power at Ottawa to protect their interests.—Sentinel.

The annual general meeting of the Kamloops Agricultural Association took place on Thursday. All present expressed themselves as being highly pleased with this year's exhibition. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, W. J. Roper (re-elected); 1st vice-president, J. P. Shaw (re-elected); 2nd vice-president, A Noble; hon. secretary, F. J. Deane (re-elected); treasurer, J. R. Hull (re-elected); directors, Kamloops, M. P. Gordon, James Mellors, E. S. Wood, J. R. Michell, G. T. Mollery, J. M. Harper, M. Beattie; Nicola, Thos. Bulman; Douglas Lake, J. B. Greaves; North Thompson, W. W. Shaw; Shuswap, T. W. Graham; Grand Prairie, A. Duck; Tranquille, Wm. Fortune; Salmon Arm, P. Owens; Ducks, E. J. Callaway.

VANCOUVER.

A mysterious fire did a providentially small amount of damage in the undertaking establishment of Messrs. Center & Hanna, Sullivan block, Cordova street, on Friday evening about 7:30. Mr. Hanna left the offices about 7.25 p. m. and did not then see a trace of fire, and it was only when he met the fire brigade careering down in his direction that he realised there was anything amiss in the neighborhood. The loss, it is believed, is very slight.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bunt, of Mount Pleasant, on Thursday, Miss Maggie Hogg was joined in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. William Jink, of Brandon, Manitoba, by the Rev. J. Reid, jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Dr. Vena E. McPhee assisted the bride, while Dr. J. B. Hart supported the groom.

The coolness of one of the performers averted a panic at the theatre during a performance of "A Black Sheep" here on Saturday night. During a cornet solo there was a slight disturbance and some one cried "Murder," which was followed by the shout of "Fire!" Several ladies became nervous and sprang to their feet, while some men started to climb over the backs of the benches.

One of the performers shouting out the next number on the programme in a very loud voice, and some in the audience shouting, "Sit down; it's only a drunken man," averted a panic. It is said one man chased a boy out of the building and vainly snapped a revolver in his face. The cartridges had been removed from the weapon.

BELLA COOLA.

(Special to the Times.)

Bella Coola, Oct. 13.—S. S. Swan, with a large amount of freight and several passengers came in to-day. Among the passengers was a mining expert who has arrived to look after some mining property up the valley.

It has rained daily for about a week. To-day, however, is fine.

Snow is creeping down the mountains and the weather is becoming much colder.

The financial statement of Rivers Inlet Hospital is as follows:

Cash Received.

Findlay, D. & Brodie, per Mr. Kirkland	$143 23
Wadhams, per Mr. Wadhams	100 00
Brunswick, per Mr. Groves	79 50
Wannuck, per Mr. Chambers	60 00
Vancouver Pkg. Co., per Mr. Green.	25 75
Vancouver Pkg. Co., per Mr. Green, for building fund	50 00
Small subs. and donations	24 50
Provisions and Drugs left over	29 00
	$511 98

Expense Account.

Wannuck store, groceries, meat and vegetables	$140 15
Wannuck store, cord wood	6 00
Wannuck store, kitchen furnishings	12 35
Washing, $9; cutting wood, $5	14 00
Incidental furnishings	13 50
Drugs and surg. dressings, Hall & Co., Victoria	114 42
Dr. Bolton, surg. gauze	3 10
Fare of nurses to and from Wannuck	16 00
Salary of assist. nurse	20 00
Dr. Bolton, for building fund due him since 1897	107 00
Material for, and labor on, water flume	25 23
	$472 35
Balance on hand	39 63
	$511 98

The annual report says nearly 1,000 patients received treatment. Eighteen patients entered the hospital and stayed for a longer or shorte period. General anaesthesia was used in three cases. The last patient to enter the hospital was a typhoid fever case. The patient has since completely recovered. The following donations are acknowledged with thanks: Fish, Mr. Chambers; bedstead and mattress, Mr. Brett; mutton and fruit, Mrs. Chambers; comforter and two night dresses, Mrs. Nicholas; free transportation of drugs by SS. Barbara Boscowitz; free transportation on all cannery steamers; also free consultations with Dr. Bell-Irving, Vancouver, and Dr. Robinson, Ottawa.

Those desiring free instruction in ART should apply to the Canadian Royal Art Union, Ltd., 238 and 240 St. James St., Montreal, Canada. The Art School is maintained in the Mechanics' Institute Building, Montreal, and is absolutely free. The monthly drawing will take place on Tuesday, October 24th, 1899, at the St. James St. office for the distribution of Works of Art.

ALASKA CONVENTION.

Opposed to the Surrender of Any Territory to Great Britain.

Seattle, Oct. 14.—A dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer from Juneau, Alaska, says that Alaska's first territorial convention, attended by delegates from every portion of the territory, was called to order in the opera house on October 10th, and will spend two weeks in preparing for the presentation to the next congress of Alaska's needs in way of legislation. Ex-Governor Swineford was elected permanent chairman. Resolutions presented by Judge A. K. Delaney, of Juneau, were adopted, expressing uncompromising opposition of the convention of the surrender to Great Britain, in any manner, of any territory acquired by the United States from Russia, and calling upon President McKinley and the authorities at Washington to firmly and steadfastly resist all attempts, however insidious, of any foreign power for the dismemberment of Alaska. A copy of the resolution was forwarded to President McKinley.

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Mining News

Trout Lake District.

The trail to the Silver Bell, on Five-Mile creek, has been completed, and quantities of supplies are being packed in in preparation for a winter's work of development.

A splendid chute of ore was struck recently in the big crosscut at the Silver Cup.

A deal has practically been closed whereby J. Rutherford obtains a bond for $7,000 on the Effie group on Cariboo creek. The terms of the bond are $1,500 cash in three months, 20 per cent. in 90 days from date of first payment, and the balance on August 1st, 1900.

A deal was made recently whereby Alexander Ferguson obtained a half interest in the Enterprise claim on the Cup vein for $3,000 cash. Frank Appicost is the owner of this property.

A force of men has been set to work on the Towser. The operations for the next few weeks will be confined to the surface.

On the Annie F. group, located on Tenderfoot creek, and owned by Walter Phelan and J. C. Lynch, the tunnel is now in some 15 feet and exposes a body of high grade gold ore. Several assays have been made on the product of this group, and the returns range from $24 to $91 in gold to the ton.

Work on the Copper Queen, a claim in the Hidden Treasure group near Hasbins creek, has exposed some very fine ore.

A new strike has been made near the American, on which four claims, the Bonanza, Bottom Dollar, Nancy Hanks, Morning Star, have been staked. The lead contains about two feet of iron ore from which it is expected good returns will be obtained.

The work done on the I.X.L. has developed a vein containing from 18 to 22 inches of carbonate ore. A tunnel driven 15 feet on the solid vein has exposed this showing. The property is located near the Virginia at the head of Eight-Mile creek.

H. H. Johnstone has been authorized to let the contract for 200 feet of tunnel to be run on the main vein of the Silver Belt. The object of this driving is to tap the junction of this lead with the various rich stringers which appear to dip towards it from both sides.

The Chief Mountain, a claim located at the head of Surprise creek and owned by W. J. Carroll, is the latest strike. On this property a copper lead three feet wide has been discovered. Some of the samples from the new strike run 60 per cent. copper, while the bulk of the lead contains ore which, from present indications, will easily dwarf anything in the copper line yet discovered in the Kootenay.

The Boundary Country.

The No. 3 tunnel on the Mystery is now in over 40 feet. This makes over 300 feet of work done on this property this season.

The John Bell tunnel is now in 135 feet, and is looking better all the time.

On the Sunset mine in Deadwood camp the railroad has opened up a body of ore which is the finest in the district. The ore in this cut is of a finer grade than any yet found on the property. It assays over 15 per cent. copper. Some 1,500 feet of work has been done on this property.

The shaft on the Pontifex Gold Mining Company's property on Huckleberry mountain is now down 65 feet, and other work is being done also. Some splendid assays have been obtained from this property. Much of the ore is identical with that of the Republic mine. The property is only five miles from Cascade.

The B. C. mine, Summit camp, is asking for tenders for sinking its main shaft 100 feet deeper than the present depth of 100 feet.

The Archor and Enterprise, adjoining the Jewel mine, in Long Lake camp, will be vigorously developed at an early date.

Values as high as $1,300 per ton have been gotten from ore from the Golden Eagle, on the north fork of Kettle river, but $75 and $100 assays were more frequent. The new strike was on a new ledge.

The double compartment shaft of the Mother Lode, in Deadwood camp, is now down 266 feet, at which depth ore running 30 per cent. copper was found. Ore shipments are to start as soon as the railway spur is completed to the property.

A recent strike was made in the Winnipeg, in Wellington camp, of a big body of $100 ore at the 300-foot level. Over six feet of this fine ore, being a massive pyrchotite, was encountered in one of the drifts.

The vein on the Morrison, in Deadwood camp, at a depth of 220 feet is 96 feet wide, and drifting east and west will be pushed with vigor. Several hundred tons of ore, removed during the crosscutting of the vein, have been piled on the dump. A 10-drill compressor has been contracted for, but owing to prior orders will not be delivered in less than three months.

It is estimated that there are 30,000 tons of ore on the dumps of the Old Ironsides and Knob Hill mines, in Greenwood camp, which was taken out in development.

The Shamrock and Thistle, owned by D. C. Beach, C. S. Wallis, R. Dalby Morkill, jr., and John McKane, have yielded some of the highest grade ore yet found on Snamrock mountain.

An enormous strike is reported on the Monarch in Phoenix camp. The strike consists of a ledge from 300 to 400 feet wide and assays from $40 to $50 to the ton in gold and copper.

An fine strike was made lately on the Waterloo, in Camp McKinney, in the west drift, opening up a ledge 10 feet wide, which will assay about $50 to the ton. A five-stamp mill is being installed on this property, but the building and power will be large enough for 10 stamps.

On the Sailor, in Camp McKinney, eight men are working, which force will be increased as soon as the hoist arrives. It is intended also to put in a steam drill. The company is also developing the Rover, the adjoining claim.

The Centre Star.

A telegram from Toronto says: Messrs. Gooderham and Blackstock have issued a circular offering 1,320,000 shares of Centre Star stock out of the capital of $3,500,000 at $1.50 per share, the War Eagle stockholders to have the first opportunity of subscribing for the same, giving until noon, October 21st, to apply. The terms of payment are to be as follows: Twenty-five cents per share to accompany application, 25 cents to be paid on allotment, 25 cents on November 15th, 25 cents on December 15th and the balance of 50 cents on January 15th. They are free to apply for whatever number of shares they wish, without reference to the amount of stock they hold in the War Eagle. It is understood that such stock as may not be subscribed for by the War Eagle shareholders have already been placed.

The many mining experts who have examined the Centre Star claim that it is one of the best mining properties of the world. It contains both the Le Roi and War Eagle veins, and its ore bodies are greater in length than the combined Le Roi and War Eagle. The Centre Star, with its present small plant, can ship 200 tons of ore per day, which would easily enable the company to commence the payment of monthly dividends of one per cent. per share, starting with January or an equivalent of 12 per cent. per annum. With the larger plant that has been contracted for and which will be in operation by May, the shipping capacity of the mine will be increased to 500 tons per day; when larger dividends will be justified.

DAWSON NEWS.

Items of Interest From the Capital of Yukon Territory.

(From Yukon Sun, Sept. 23.)

A banquet in honor of Thomas McMullen, first president of the Dawson Board of Trade was given at the Cafe Royal, Saturday, Sept. 16th.

There are at present 29 patients in the Good Samaritan hospital, 26 of whom are down with the typhoid. They are all getting along nicely.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce sent on the Bonanza King, Wednesday, the largest consignament of dust ever taken up the river. There was over 3,540 lbs., valued at $680,000. It was in the care of a bank messenger and two guards, and was consigned to the Seattle assay office.

The first brick building for Dawson is being erected on Third street, between Second and Third avenues. It will be used as a warm storage building by the Dawson Warehouse Company.

J. H. Goddard, with his insane son Arthur, were passengers out on the Bonanza King Wednesday. The son was under guard and will be taken to the asylum at New Westminster.

The Yukon council met Wednesday and finished up its business as a council and dissolved. Judge Dugas and Colonel Steele resigned, and it was decided to dissolve until such time as J. E. Girouard gets in with the new regulations for the territory, when it will be reorganized. In the new council, to consist of seven members, two members will be elected by the people here.

Capt. Healy brings back the most glowing accounts from the Cape Nome country. He says that he offered $100,000 for an Anvil creek claim, which offer was refused, and that the beach diggings are all that has been claimed for them, and predicts that the new diggings will rival the Klondike as a placer diggings. Other reports from the new strike are encouraging. The U. S. troops compel all comers to show that they bring sufficient means to support themselves during the winter, and if they cannot do so are ordered to march on.

Inspector Primrose arrived on the Columbian Wednesday, and was at once placed in command of the N. W. M. P. force here, pending the arrival of Major Perry, who is expected before navigation closes.

"To Let" and "For Rent" signs are making frequent appearances on all our business streets and many buildings are being vagated. There are two very good reasons for this. The first is that there are too many people trying to do the business here, and another reason is that rents are altogether too high. Business now will not warrant the paying of $5 to $10 a foot, ground rent, and the putting up of buildings by the lessor, nor the paying of $250 to $500 per month rent for a small store room. Our landlords must come off their perch.

John B. Charleson will be in Dawson with the telegraph line on Thursday or Friday next, having built from Bennett to Dawson under adverse and annoying circumstances in five months.

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The election of officers for ensuing year will take place at 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

Trains leave Hillside avenue station at 7 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 2 p. m., and 7:30 p. m. Returning will leave Saanich at 8:25 a.m., 11:30 a. m., 6:30 p. m., and 11:30 p. m. Refreshments served on the grounds. Admission, 25 cents.

ALL CLAIMS.

Br. Ship Drumlanrig

FARREN, Master,

FROM LONDON.

All claims against the above vessel must be forwarded to the office of the undersigned on or before noon on Wednesday, 18th October.

ROBERT WARD & CO., Ltd., Agents.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE

BR. SHIP "WATERLOO"

Fellows, Master,

FROM LIVERPOOL.

This vessel will discharge cargo at the outer wharf on Thursday, October 12th, at 8 a.m., and following days. Consignees are requested to present bills of lading at the office of the undersigned, pay freight, and receive orders for their goods.

All goods remaining on the wharf after 5 o'clock each day, and while on the wharf, will be at the risk of the consignees thereof respectively, and may be stored at their expense.

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IN THE MATTER OF MORRIS MOSS, DECEASED

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE "TRUSTEES AND EXECUTORS ACT."

Notice is hereby given that I have, according to the provisions of the Trustees and Executors Act, this day filed in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court of British Columbia at Victoria, a declaration of the insolvency of the estate of the above named Morris Moss, deceased, formerly a fur dealer in the said City of Victoria.

The said declaration was made by me on the 7th day of October, 1899.

A meeting of the creditors of the above named deceased will be held at the office of Yates & Jay, 22 Bastion street, Victoria, on Monday, the sixteenth instant, at three p. m.

Dated at Victoria this 9th day of October, 1899.

J. STUART YATES,
Administrator of the Estate of Morris Moss, deceased.

In the Matter of the Goods of Michael Powers, Deceased. Intestate,

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATORS ACT.

Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by Mr. Justice Drake, dated the 9th day of October, 1899, I, the undersigned, was authorized to take charge of all the property, estate and effects of the above named deceased, and in pursuance of the said order I hereby call upon the widow, or next of kin (if any), of the said deceased resident in the Province of British Columbia, to put forward her or their claim to administer the estate of the said deceased.

WILLIAM MONTEITH,
Official Administrator.

NOTICE.

IN THE MATTER OF THE GOODS OF SAMUEL GIRDLESTONE LEWIS, LATE OF CHEMAINUS, VANCOUVER ISLAND, BRITISH COLUMBIA, DECEASED.

All persons who are indebted to the above estate are required to pay the amount forthwith; and all persons who have any claims against the above estate are required to send in their accounts, duly authenticated, on or before the 1st day of December, 1899, to Fell & Gregory, Board of Trade Building, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for Arthur Howell Lewis, the Administrator with the will annexed of the above named deceased, after which date the Administrator will proceed to distribute the estate to the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to such claims as may be sent in.

Victoria, B. C., 11th October, 1899.

NOTICE.

Pursuant to the order of the Honorable Mr. Justice Walkem, dated October 3rd, 1899, notice is hereby given that any person having or pretending to have, any title or interest in the following property, being part of five acre lot 5, and known as lot 25, on Farquhar street, Victoria, B.C., formerly the property of Henry McCormick, is required within four weeks from the date of said order to file a statement of claim thereto with the Registrar of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, pursuant to the "Quieting Titles Act."

Dated October 3rd, 1899.

GEORGE E. POWELL,
Solicitor for the Petitioners, Rose Murray and Delia McBrady.

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NOTICE.

To Dealers in Coal and Wood

Separate sealed tenders will be received by the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to noon of Wednesday, 18th October, for supplying 100 tons or more (2,240 lbs. per ton) of the best hard lump coal for steam furnace, screened sack coal and washed nut coal, to be inspected and approved of, and 100 cords or more of good quality split fir cordwood. The coal and wood to be delivered and stored in the boiler-room of the Parliament Buildings, James Bay, at the Law Courts, Bastion Square, or at Government House, as may be directed. The person tendering must state the price per ton for coal and the name of the mine, and per cord for wood, and the contractor will be required to furnish satisfactory security for the faithful performance of the contract.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 9th October, 1899.

Notice to Contractors.

Tenders will be received up to 12 o'clock noon of Friday, 20th instant, for an extension to St. Saviour's Church, Victoria West. Plans and specifications may be seen by applying to C. T. Penwill, at W. S. Fraser & Co.'s, Wharf street. Tenders to be addressed to Rev. W. D. Barber, Victoria West.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

$250 Reward.

The Corporation of the City of Victoria hereby offers the sum of $250 for such information as shall lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who caused the death of the late Michael Powers, of this city, on the 5th day of October inst., by committing an assault upon him on the 1st day of October inst.

By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 11th, 1899.

$250 Reward.

The Corporation of the City of Victoria hereby offers the sum of $250 for such information as shall lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who murdered the late Mrs. Agnes Rings, on the Songhees Indian Reservation in this city, on the 29th of September last.

By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 11th, 1899.

NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to lay down a wooden block pavement on Yates street, between Government and the easterly limit of Broad street, with stone curbs and concrete foundation, under the provision of the "Local Improvement By-Law, 1892," and amendments thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council upon the said work of improvement, giving statement showing the amount chargeable against the various portions of real property benefited thereby, in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of the said by-law, and said report having been adopted by the Council, notice is hereby given that this report is open for inspection at the office of the city Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, Oct. 11th, 1899.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the Quieting Titles Act,

—and—

In the matter of the Northerly part 11x80 feet of subdivision (2) of Town Lots (618) and (619), Block (M) and the Northery part 11x80 feet of subdivision (8) of Town Lots (602) and (603) Block (M) in the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, formerly the property of Nicolai Caspersen Matthieson or his heirs.

Whereas, By an order of the Honorable Mr. Justice Drake, dated the 14th day of August, 1899, made upon the petition of Charles Hayward, it was directed that a declaration of title do issue to the petitioner declaring him to be the legal and beneficial owner in fee simple in possession of the lands above mentioned, unless a statement of adverse claim be filed as hereinafter mentioned. Notice is hereby given that any person having or pretending to have any title to or interest in the lands above described, or any part thereof, is required within three months from the date hereof to file a statement of his claim with the Registrar of the Supreme Court at Victoria, pursuant to the above act, and that in default of such statement a declaration of titles as in the said order directed will issue to the said Charles Hayward.

Dated the 16th day of August, 1899.

YATES & JAY,
Solicitors for the Petitioner.

Certificate of Improvement.

LATCHBROOK AND STAR MINERAL CLAIMS.

Situate in the Clayoquot Mining Division of Alberni District. Where located: Deer Creek, Tofino Inlet, Clayoquot.

Take notice that I, Charles Hayward, Free Miners' Certificate No. B10,955, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 1899.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE

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The Institute is free for the use of Sailors and shipping generally. Is well supplied with papers and a temperance bar. Letters may be sent here to await ships. A parcel of literature can be had for outgoing ships on application to manager. All are heartily welcome.

A Wreck on Pribyloffs

Steamer Laurada a Total Loss on St. George Island in Behring Sea.

Passengers and Crew All Saved--Sprang a Leak and Raced for the Beach.

The End of an Unfortunate Voyage--Captain Returns by the Corwin.

(Special to the Times.)

Seattle, Oct. 16.—News was brought by the United States revenue cutter Corwin, which returned from the Behring Sea, where she has been patrolling, watching that the sealers remained outside the limit and kept within the law, of the wreck of the steamer Laurada, the hoodoo of the Alaskan fleet, sailing out of Seattle.

The Corwin brought to Seattle Capt. White, Purser Carey and Agent W. T. Moore of the company owning the vessel. The steamer was on her way to St. Michael when she sprung a leak on September 27th and to avoid foundering at sea had to be beached on St. George Island, the most northerly of the Pribyloff Islands, where the big seal rookeries are located.

The Corwin passed St. George Island on October 3rd, and seeing signals of distress displayed from the steamer on the beach put about and went to the rescue. The passengers and crew, numbering 68 in all, 20 passengers and 48 of a crew, were transferred to the Corwin, and there, after shipping such of the Laurada's provisions as were most needed, the cutter laid her course for Dutch Harbor, where she arrived twenty-four hours later.

Here most of the Laurada's crew and passengers were left to come down on other vessels.

The Laurada, after sailing from here, encountered a heavy storm some sixty miles off Dixon's Entrance and put back to Metlakatlah and discharged 200,000 feet of lumber that she carried on deck. At Dutch Harbor she anchored to land some live stock and await better weather. It had been exceedingly rough, but on the day she left there the weather appeared to improve.

Dutch Harbor was left on Sept. 26th at 4 in the afternoon, and once outside it was seen that the storm was still raging with considerable fury.

All went well that night, but next day a leak was noticed forward. Investigation proved that a seam had opened sufficient to let the water in, and under the pounding and laboring of the vessel in the seas the seam soon opened until water poured in in excess of the capacity of the pumps to clear.

Capt. White determined to put his vessel ashore at the nearest point of land, and this being St. George Island, the ship was headed in that direction. The master chose Zapadin bay on the southern side of the island to beach the Laurada.

He put her ashore easily and so near dry land that the passengers had but a few yards of water to cross to reach it. Near the place where the vessel was beached was located two salt houses used for storing seal skins for the Commercial Co., and these were taken possession of by the shipwrecked people. Three stoves were carried ashore and set up, and great quantities of bedding and provisions were also landed to guard against starvation in case the ship became broken up in a storm.

The vessel, it is feared, will prove a total loss.

From the time the unlucky old filibuster left Seattle for St. Michael she has been in trouble, and several times was near to wreck. She was overloaded when she left Puget Sound, and soon after passing up through the Straits of Georgia her troubles began. Her captain, Frank White, who is well known here, took the inside passage, but that did not save the overladen vessel. In the heavy weather the steamer became unwieldy, and finally the captain had to put into a port to discharge some of the cargo. A portion was landed on the beach, covered with tarpaulins, and one of the crew left to guard it.

The Laurada then put to sea again, but the heavy weather still continued to buffet and wrench her, and the captain, finding that she was still too heavily burdened with cargo, put into Metlakatlah, where he discharged a large quantity of his freight. After leaving Metlakatlah the vessel seemed to weather the gales then prevailing and all went well until she was bearing in to Unalaska, where she went on a ledge of rock on one of the reefs just outside the harbor, and for a time it looked as though she was doomed. With the aid of her anchors and kedge, though, she was slid off and made port little the worse for the mishap.

While at Dutch Harbor the captain was making enquiries for a vessel, the Cleveland, if he could get her, to take a charter to go back to Metlakatlah and the other port of call for the goods left there. It being so late in the season though, it is doubtful if any vessel could get down to Metlakatlah and back again to St. Michael before ice closed that port.

The old Laurada has been very unfortunate, in fact there seems to be a hoodoo on her. She was formerly a filibustering steamer, running the Spanish blockades with arms and munitions of war for the Cuban insurgents, under Captain Hart, who was pardoned by the United States at the commencement of their unpleasantness with Spain. The steamer was brought to the Pacific coast when the rush to the Klondike began and for some time ran between the Sound and British Columbia ports and St. Michael. Then when the tide of travel veered to the Lynn canal ports she was placed on the inland Alaskan route. Several times she was nearly wrecked, and had a faculty for getting into all kinds of trouble. She ran foul of the Canadian customs for illegally dumping stowaways at northern British Columbia ports, and was libelled by the city of Vancouver for breaking their water mains when she grounded in the narrows. This matter was settled but a few months since.

Shamrock Beaten

In the First Race Against the Columbia for the America Cup.

She Got Away First, but Was Soon Passed by the Defender.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Oct. 16.—A heavy, damp fog hung over the upper bay at dawn to-day, and there was only a light breeze stirring, a discouraging outlook for the beginning of the third week of the attempt to sail the first of the series of races in the contest for the America Cup between the Columbia and Shamrock.

The Shamrock crossed the line a few seconds ahead of the Columbia, but the latter took the lead soon afterwards and turned the mark over nine minutes before the Shamrock.

On the run home the Shamrock was unable to overhaul the American yacht, which won the first race.

Race Bulletins.

No. 1.—New York, Oct. 16.—A thick fog hangs over the course. There is an easterly breeze, about 5 miles an hour.

No. 2.—Highlands, 9:55.—The weather clearing and the wind is increasing. It is now blowing 10 knots.

No. 3.—Cable boat, 11:02.—The following is the official start: Shamrock, 11:01:03; Columbia, 11:01:06.

No. 4.—11:30.—Both boats crossed the line on the starboard tack and stood northeast toward Rockaway. They were still on that tack when they went out of sight.

No. 5.—Noon.—(By Associated Press dispatch boat).—The boats have covered about ten miles of the first leg. The Columbia has done wonderful wind work. Both boats, however, were well handled. There were several short tacks about 12 o'clock, and the Columbia came out of the jockeying with a good gain. The wind holds east, blowing about eight knots an hour.

Columbia Leading.

No. 6.—Long Beach, 12:25.—The Columbia is now more than a mile ahead.

No. 7.—Cable boat, 1:43.—Returning boats say that at 12:35 the Columbia had a lead over the Shamrock of about three-quarters of a mile.

Turning the Mark.

No. 8.—Associated Press boat, Ellis.—The Columbia turned the outer mark at 1:48:50, and the Shamrock at 1:59:35. (Time unofficial.) The Columbia is in the lead by about one and a half miles.

No. 9.—Associated Press boat, Vamoose, off Long Beach.—The official times on turning the outer mark were as follows: The Columbia, 1:48:19; the Shamrock, 1:58:06.

No. 10.—Boat Wanda, off Long Beach, 2:30.—The Columbia had a lead of a good mile and had made about five miles of the run from the outer mark. She did not seem to gain much before the wind, but it was very apparent that she was losing nothing. Both boats broke out spinnakers and set ballooners as soon as the mark was turned, and were running home before a fairly steady eight-knot breeze. If the wind holds they should finish by 3:45.

No. 11.—Cable boat, 3:04.—The Columbia is in sight, about five and a half miles from the finishing line. The Shamrock is not yet in sight.

No. 12.—3:34.—The Columbia is now about four miles from the finish mark, but the wind still appears to be losing strength. The Shamrock is also in sight, about five and a half miles from the finishing line, so far as can be judged from this point in the mist which prevails.

No. 13.—The Shamrock crossed the finishing line at 4:05:30. (Unofficial.) The Columbia crossed in a mass of canvas, amid the shrieking of the whistles of the few boats present.

Columbia Wins.

No. 13.—Associated Press boat, Vamoose.—On the beat down to the outer mark the Columbia outpointed and outfooted the Shamrock and gained on every tack. The Columbia turned the stake 9 minutes and 47 seconds ahead of the Shamrock by the official time. The Columbia finished at 3:54 (unofficial).

Cost Over $2,500,000.

New York, Oct. 16.—The several yacht race flukes have cost those who went out to see them about $2,500,000, according to estimates printed this morning. The New York yacht club, which has the financial management of the races, has so far paid out $21,000.

—Window Muslins, Art Madras, Fancy Canvas Goods, Sateens, Cretonnes, Chintzes, direct from England, at Weiler Bros.

Robt. Hayden and Harvey Hollis, of Nanaimo, are at the Occidental.

Like all other wealthy people, royalty has its particular fads and amusements. Queen Victoria's favorite pastimes have been equestrian exercise, sketching and simple round games of cards. In her youth the queen was a fearless and graceful horsewoman.

Assize Court at Sooke

A Trip to the Scene of Alleged Assault in Regular Course.

The Hearing Resumed This Morning and Still in Progress.

A welcome break in the monotony of the court proceedings in the Armour seduction case occurred on Saturday, when all concerned visited the scene of the alleged first offence of the prisoner, at Sooke. At 8 o'clock in the morning the court assembled at the usual place and proceeded at once down to the wharf, where the steamer Maud was in readiness for the voyage to Sooke. Those who took passage on her were His Lordship Mr. Justice Walkem; Registrar B. H. T. Drake; Deputy Sheriff Siddall; the members of the jury; Crown Counsel A. L. Belyea; Ernest A. Powell, associated with the defence; P. S. Lampman, special reporter for the Law Society; Justin Gilbert, official stenographer; Provincial Police Constable Dan Campbell; the accused, James Armour; Mrs. Shoup, mother of the girl, and her daughters, Ethel and Annie Shields.

George E. Powell, prisoner's counsel, drove to Sooke in company with Mr. Fisher, one of the witnesses for the defence.

Fortunately for Deputy Sheriff Siddall, who is never very much at home on the rolling deep, the water was as smooth as the proverbial mill pond and not a ripple disturbed its surface. The little steamer made a good trip and the dreaded fog bank was not encountered, so that the new government wharf at Muir's place was reached at noon, the company having been regaled to a sumptuous luncheon on board.

The distance from the landing place to Milne's store, near the scene of the alleged assault, is two and a half miles, and the court trudged the whole way, some of the jurymen affecting a rolling, nautical gait, which may have been accounted for by the fact that they had not quite lost their sea legs. On the way, the accused, James Armour, pointed out to his lordship some of the features of the Sooke scenery and explained the locality so often referred to during the progress of the hearing.

Arrived at the general store, postoffice and telegraph station conducted by Mr. Milne, the party was joined by Mr. George E. Powell, and the work of inspection was at once commenced. His lordship and the jury viewed the places particularly mentioned in evidence, most of which have become familiar to those taking an interest in the case from the photographs produced.

It may be stated for the benefit of readers of the Times that from an independent and reliable source it is learned that the open space referred to in the evidence of the girl Ethel Shields can be seen from the front door of Milne's store. The bank between that place and the beach is about six feet high, and in this connection it will be of interest to note that the little girl Annie stated on Saturday that she was standing above the bank, and not on the beach, during the time of the alleged assault. There has been considerable contradictory evidence in regard to the character of the beach, some saying it was a mud flat and others that it was a stony beach. It may perhaps best be described as muddy with stones upon it. Some contradiction took place as to the big tree upon which Ethel Shields said she did some cutting with Armour's knife after the assault. Ethel identified one tree, but Annie was quite uncertain about the matter and seemed to think the tree was situated quite a distance away.

All agreed that the trip to the scene assisted the jury in obtaining a clearer idea of the locality and a better understanding of the evidence than could possibly have been obtained otherwise.

The party returned to the new government wharf about 4 o'clock and took passage for Victoria immediately, arriving here at 8 o'clock, the court having been formally adjourned on board the boat until 10 o'clock this morning.

Resuming in the assize court this morning Mr. Belyea continued the cross-examination of the accused, James Armour. Nothing very important transpired, the witness being apparently very clear and positive about dates. Mr. Belyea endeavored to ascertain from witness whether he had attended another concert and dance at Sooke about the time of the one referred to in evidence, but witness could only call to mind some informal dances in which he had taken part with other residents of Sooke.

As to his visits to the Shoupe house in the city, witness was very clear about the number of times he had been there to put up his horses, and that he had seen Mrs. Shoup on the first and last of the three occasions upon which he did so.

Mr. Belyea concluded his cross-examination, and Mr. Powell asked two or three questions in re-examination, and the witness stood aside.

Mr. Powell then informed his lordship that several additional witnesses for the defence were expected to arrive from Sooke by the stage due at 2 o'clock, and asked for an adjournment until 2:30.

His lordship said he was willing to do everything to ensure justice being done to the prisoner and the adjournment was accordingly granted, the court rising shortly before 11 o'clock.

The court resumed this afternoon at 2:30 and Mr. Powell called for the defence Mr. Hughes, one of the hunting party at Sooke, with which it is alleged Armour spent the time at which he is said to have committed the assault. Mr. Hughes was expected to produce an account fixing the date, but by mistake brought the wrong document. Mr. Powell called Mr. Milne, but he was not allowed to testify, his lordship ruling that he had been given plenty of opportunity and to allow him would break the rules of procedure.

Counsel for the defence then stated that his other witnesses had not arrived by the stage, as expected, preferring to drive down. He had sent a team to meet them, but they had not reached the court yet. Mr. Belyea having some witnesses in rebuttal who will not be here until to-morrow, another adjournment was taken until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

His lordship paid counsel the compliment of saying that the case could not have been better conducted or better defended. He also complimented the jury upon the patience they have displayed and Mr. Belyea assured his lordship that the end would in all probability be reached to-morrow.

Personal.

Geo. Evans, of San Francisco, is at the Dominion.

W. A. McIntosh, of Vancouver, is at the Driard.

Col. Tiarks was a passenger from Vancouver yesterday.

R. Jamieson returned from Vancouver on yesterday's Islander.

A. G. McKenny and J. Hargraft, of Toronto, are at the Driard.

Mrs. D. H. Duncanson, of San Francisco, is registered at the Driard.

E. C. Howell was a passenger from Vancouver on yesterday's Islander.

W. Schroeder and Miss J. B. Walker, of Seattle, are guests at the Queen's.

A. Stewart Potts returned from a visit to Vancouver on yesterday's Islander.

S. W. Bodley returned last night from a visit to the East. He is at the Dominion.

Miss Atlantis, the former artiste of the sphere in the Lindley company, is at the Queen's.

W. H. Dorman, of Vancouver, is at the Driard. He is accompanied by Mrs. Dorman and child.

Dr. Carler was operated upon yesterday for appendicitis at St. Joseph's hospital. He is progressing favorably.

Among the recent arrivals at the Driard from the Old Country are W. S Ferguson, Scotland; John Scott, Eastertyre, Scotland; D. Marriott, Limpsfield, Surrey; and S. F. Hutton, Temple, London.

J. A. Fullerton, marine superintendent of the C. P. R., and the other members of the C. P. R. and customs staffs, arrived from Vancouver last night to await the arrival of the incoming Empress of Japan.

The many friends of the family will learn with regret that Mrs. Wm. D. Eberts, mother of Mr. D. M. Eberts, M.P.P., and Mrs. Rocke Robertson, is lying dangerously ill at the residence of the latter, 75 Gorge road.

Arthur McBride, ex-warden of the provincial penitentiary, and father of R. McBride, M. P. P., is in town. Mr. McBride, sr., was a sergeant of police in this city in 1864, and he and Chief Sheppard had a pleasant chat over stories of the early days.

A party of Nanaimoites, who are in the city attending the meeting of the district lodge A. O. F., are quartered at the Dominion. They include John Hilbert, ex-mayor of Nanaimo; A. H. R. Spence, T. J. Buckle, Wm. Bennet, A. C. Wilson, Alex. Forrester and G. Humphrey.

Sporting News.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA DEFEATS THE NAVY.

Victoria defeated the Navy in the first match of the season, on Saturday, by a score of 31 points to 3. The Victoria team on its appearance on the field, which, by the way, was as hard as newly paved Fort street, was, it was seen, somewhat altered from that of last season. There were four new players in the forward line. The Navy team was one new to the Victoria football field. Its forwards showed themselves to be stronger than the Victoria boys, but what they gained there they lost in the defence. The first try was scored for Victoria by Schofield, who made a fine run. It was not converted. The second try was secured by Martin, who received a pass from Gillespie. Goward converted both this and another try secured by Gamble just before the whistle blew. Starting the second half with the discouraging score against them, the Navy worked the ball well into Victoria's territory, and after pushing out close to the 25 they rushed the ball over from the throw from touch. The try was not improved. This was all they secured, but they have the satisfaction of knowing that it was more than any team did last season. The remainder of the game was a procession.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

VANCOUVER v. KAMLOOPS.

The Vancouver eleven travelled to Kamloops last week and played two games with the local team. In the first match Vancouver scored 3 goals to 1 made by Kamloops. The home eleven won the second game by one goal to nil.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

At Beacon Hill the first games of the season were played on Saturday afternoon, the Victorias defeating the Columbias by 1 to 0, and the Columbia juniors gaining a victory over the South Parks by 2 to 1.

BASEBALL.

SATURDAY'S GAMES.

At Brooklyn—Brooklyn, 6; Baltimore, 3.
At Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 12; Cleveland, 4.
At Washington—Washington, 12; New York, 9.
At Boston—Boston, 1; Philadelphia, 6.
At Pittsburg—Pittsburg, 1; Louisville, 4.

"What We Have We'll Hold"

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NOTES FROM VANCOUVER.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Oct. 16.—Deputy Minister of Agriculture Anderson had an escape from being ridden down in Kamloops on Friday by a drunken Siwash, who galloped along the sidewalk.

General Hutton and staff attended church parade yesterday. At the armoury he explained the conversion from artillery to rifles. The parade was dismissed after cheers for the South African force. Forty riflemen have volunteered for the Canadian contingent. The general inspected the park and harbor to-day. He leaves for Victoria to-morrow.

Walter Burse, who came from Winnipeg about twelve years ago, met his death in a peculiar manner yesterday. At nine o'clock he started on his bicycle for a ride around the park. When he had gone a mile he evidently felt sick and ran along the roadside. An hour later he was found by some sailors belonging to the Aorangi dead, with his hands on the bars and sitting up on the saddle against the bank. Heart failure is supposed to have caused his death. Deceased, who was a carpenter employed at the sugar refinery, leaves a widow and four children. He will be buried to-morrow with Masonic honors.

Joseph Gayet arrived to-day from Cariboo after 37 years continuous residence in that country. This is his first visit to the Coast. He has just put through a large deal for rich property in Cariboo.

THE LAND OF THE INQUISITION.

Mediaeval Barbarism Still Rampant in Spain's Prisons.

Stories of Spain's system of tortures in her prisons have usually come from her enemies and from other nations. But here is a recital of cruelties more brutal than anything that has been charged by the most prejudiced outsider since the days of the Inquisition. It is the statement, made with the approval of General Polavioja, ex-captain-general of the Philippines, and now Spanish minister of war. It appeared in the Reforma, his official organ. By the publication of these atrocities still practised in Spanish prisons, the war minister hopes to awaken his nation's moral sense and bring about reformation. "The statement is a confession to the whole world of Spain's depravity at the end of the nineteenth century.

Torture of the most horrible kind, equalling anything ever known in the middle ages, is systematically practised on prisoners in the ordinary Spanish prisons.

The minister begins by saying:

"Three years ago there was a great scandal throughout Europe on account of the torture of the Anarchists in Montjuich fortress, in Barcelona. But that incident is not done with, and is yet destined to create a great deal of trouble. It cannot be denied that the fortress of Montjuich is no better than

A Den of the Inquisition.

The Anarchists who were imprisoned there underwent incredible physical tortures. The subterranean chambers of the fortress are dyed with blood.

"Only recently Francisa Gana, one of the prisoners who had been tortured, went to England, where he exposed to the eyes of civilization the barbarous manner in which his mangled body had been treated. What was the result? All Europe regarded us with horror. 'Spain,' they said, 'is still the land o' the Inquisition.'

"That is perfectly true. One only need study the history of our colonial policy in the East to convince himself that we are true savages. The Philippines under the rule of Father Arias were the scene of disgraceful and

Ceaseless Butchery.

Before the war and during the war we enslaved all the natives. We flogged them for every trivial offence in the most merciless manner. We arrested them for nothing at all, and threw them in the guard house of the police at Manila. In the subterranean chambers of the convent there are hooks and thumb-screws and racks and ovens and all the instruments of mediaeval torture. In spite of modern humanity and civilization, we used these instruments just as they had been used in the time of the Inquisition. And now we wonder that we were not loved in the colonies.

"But here in Madrid to-day they flog men who have been merely arrested. They not only do this, but they flay them and cut them to pieces. We live under a

Modern Inquisition.

Spain is the antithesis of progress."

After these remarks the minister goes on to describe in detail the methods of inflicting torture in Spain. As an illustration he mentions that several weeks ago a theft of several sacks of rags occurred on the Northern railroad at Barcelona. The police arrested a freight handler named Francisco Oliva. As he would not confess he was flogged until he was half dead; when he still refused to admit his guilt one of his fingers was smashed with a machine. Finally they let him go.

The first instruments of torture regularly used in Spanish prisons are the brass hand manacles. These are chains filed very fine, which are bound around the wrists so that they cut into the flesh. The prisoner is compelled to wear them all day long. The pain becomes more and more severe, and finally the metal cuts into the flesh until it touches the bone.

The Steel Whip,

another instrument of torture, is made of ox hide or of steel chain, about four feet long. The handle is provided with a loop so that it cannot slip out of the hands. The prisoner's hands are bound behind him while he is being flogged. Sometimes they leave him his shirt, but more often they beat him naked.

After the tortured man has been beaten for several days and fed on salt codfish, he is placed with his arms bound before a table on which is a big glass pitcher full of water. If he still refuses to confess he passes on to the next form of torture—the toenail wedge—so horrible that we have not dared to illustrate it with the rest. Little wedges of wood or else steel pens are forced under the toenails of the prisoner, in order that he may "sing," as the Spanish prison officials with dreadful humor render "confess."

If he is still obstinate, the crusher is introduced. This instrument resembles a large nut-cracker. It consists of two pieces of wood joined at one end by a hinge, and is used to crush those parts of the prisoner's body which are the most sensitive to pain. The executioner, as in other cases, always interrupts his work when the prisoner has fainted. This form of torture is very likely fatal, but if it is not there are other resources in the Spanish prison—

Torture By Fire.

In this case the apparatus consists merely of a coal pan filled with red hot coal, such as market women use in winter to warm their feet. The prisoner is bound and forcibly made to sit down upon the fire. If he shrieks the gag is applied.

Even this does not complete the list of instruments of torture, and is perhaps not quite the worst. The seventh degree is the head-crushing helmet. This is an intricate device of polished iron something like a helmet. At the back is a wooden bar with which all its parts are connected, and in this there is a screw by which the pressure on the head can be regulated. As if all this mechanical torture were not sufficient, it is increased by passing a

Current of Electricity

through the helmet.

It is obvious that not one man in ten thousand would refuse to confess if subjected to these forms of torture. The last three are used not so much to make people confess as a form of punishment. The Barcelona Anarchists were subjected to them all.

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